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Letter From the Editor

Let's get right to the important matters: Who are the top college football teams and when are the biggest games this fall? Florida State was No. 1 after the Seminoles overcame a loss at Notre Dame in November and outlasted Nebraska in the Orange Bowl last New Year's night. That gave coach Bobby Bowden his first national championship. It also kept a streak alive: For the past six years, either Florida State or Miami has started or finished the season at the front of the pack. FSU has a score to settle with the Irish, whom they will meet in Tallahassee on November 12. Miami slipped out of the top 10 for the first time in nearly a decade. That didn't sit well with coach Dennis Erickson, who will have the Hurricanes in contention for their third national title in six years. They have their own rematch with the Seminoles, at home on October 8.

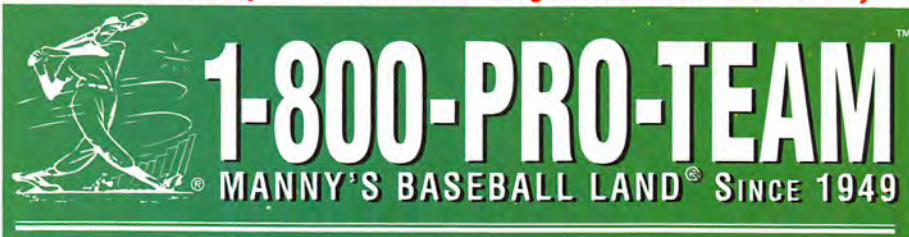
For now, though, Florida sits atop the Street & Smith's 1994 preseason poll. To remain there, the Gators will have to go through Tennessee in September, Auburn in October, Florida State in November, and most likely Alabama in the SEC championship game in December. The payoff is a second straight Sugar Bowl bid. Nebraska and West Virginia took unbeaten records into January, but both saw their hopes for a national championship vanish in bowl losses: Nebraska, as noted, to Florida State in the Orange; West Virginia to Florida in the Sugar. The Cornhuskers and Mountaineers will get a head start on the fall when they go head-to-head in the Kickoff Classic on August 28 in Giants Stadium. The Big Eight title could be decided on October 29 when Colorado and Nebraska lock horns in Lincoln. And speaking of horns, Texas plays consecutive games in October against its future Big Eight rivals Colorado and Oklahoma. It hosts long-time Southwest Conference adversary Texas A&M on November 5.

Wisconsin came out ahead in the Big Ten last fall and then defeated Pac-10 champion UCLA in the Rose Bowl. But because their schedules remain so formidable, both teams, despite a wealth of returning talent, will be hard pressed to repeat. The Badgers have an early-season game at Colorado and back-to-back road dates later in the year with Michigan and Ohio State. The Bruins open in Tennessee, host Nebraska two weeks later, and travel to Arizona in October. It was Arizona which pinned a shutout on Miami in the Fiesta Bowl. The Wildcats are the favorite to make it to Pasadena this time. Their opponent could be Michigan, looking to recover its accustomed perch atop the league, or perhaps Penn State, which also has consecutive games with the Wolverines and the Buckeyes but does not play Wisconsin. If the Nittany Lions win the Big Ten, Joe Paterno will be looking for his record 16th bowl victory in the Rose.

LaVell Edwards has taken Brigham Young to a bowl game in each of the last 16 years. If he can find a defense to accompany the nation's No. 2 passing offense, the Cougars should keep their streak alive.

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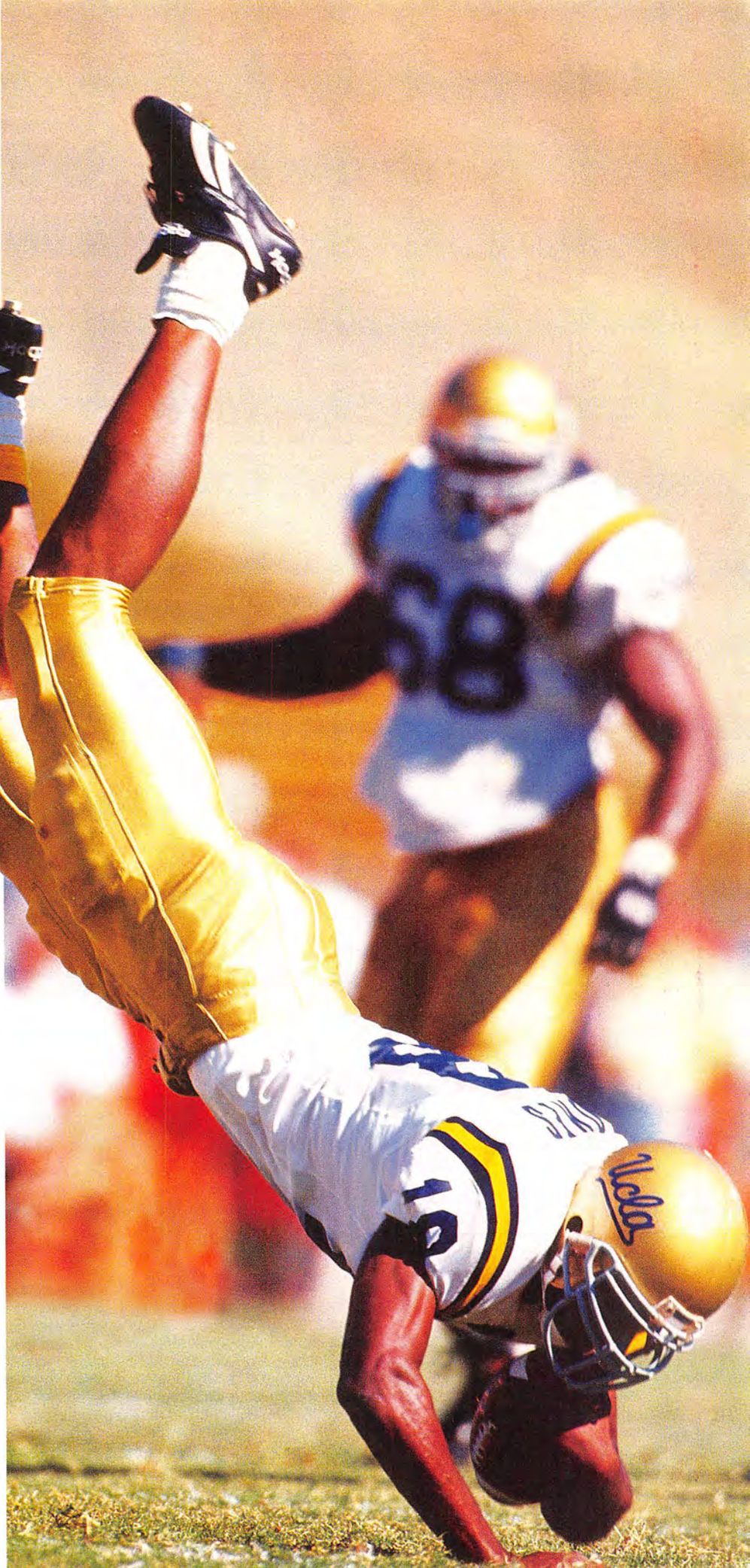
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July 1994 **55**th year
Jeff Carlick



Letters

Baseball

Your articles in the 1994 *Street & Smith's Baseball* on "The Boys of Winter" and "Prescription for Baseball" were home runs. They should be required reading in the offices of all major league owners and general managers. Especially this statement: "The wild card is a phony attraction that is like too many other elements in your business."

JAMES WHALEN, Waukegan, IL

I'm enjoying *Street & Smith's Baseball*, as I have for 40 years or so. I do have one question about this year's edition, though. In the profile of Greg Maddux, the writer states that Maddux is the first pitcher to win the Cy Young Award for two different teams. Didn't Gaylord Perry also accomplish this? If memory serves, he did it in two different leagues.

Keep up the good work. I look forward to your magazine every spring. It's a sure sign that the baseball season is upon us and winter is on its way out.

THOMAS DALY, Mokena, IL
Gaylord Perry won the Cy Young in 1972 with the Cleveland Indians and again in 1978 with the San Diego Padres.

I have been a fan of your magazines for many years. I have several questions/comments about your Baseball issue, and I also have a suggestion regarding the inclusion of some additional information which I feel could contribute to your publication. Concerning the section on statistics, I feel that a legend would be invaluable. Several sports enthusiasts in our shop spent 20 minutes trying to figure out what some of the headings refer to. For instance, in the batting stats, what does SH mean? And how do you calculate SLG and OBP? These formulas would be beneficial to know. Finally, I think that including batting averages with runners in scoring position would be of value.

Could you please send me a legend and the formulas I inquired about? Again, thanks for your great publication.

GARY A. PHINNEY, Tacoma, NY
SH refers to sacrifice hits. For slugging average, divide the number of total bases by the total number of at-bats; for on-base percentage, divide the total number of times the batter reached base safely (via a hit, walk, or hit-by-pitch) by the total number of plate appearances.

I'm not sure, but I believe that in order to give a team a reasonable assessment for the forthcoming season, you have to actually look at the team. Let's take my two favorite teams, the Indians and the Reds. While it's great that you believe in the young Indians, my hometown team, your basis for predicting them to be second is clearly based on the hype of the last two seasons. I'm quite sure that with this current team maturing and some venerable free agents to help, the Tribe will surprise all. I would like to see, however, some first-hand information on the matter. Instead you leaned rather heavily on praising Albert Belle.

As for the Reds, you prematurely forecast their demise based on last year's dreadful clubhouse atmosphere. That situation no

longer exists, nor do the injuries that plagued the team all year. You had Davey Johnson fired by Opening Day. You forget, team owner Marge [Schott] wants to see a won-loss record first, and you can't win or lose if you haven't started the season. You also based your doomsaying on the presence of Kevin Mitchell, who, despite last year's shoddy performance, has been totally committed this spring. I see Cincy in first or second. In fact, I need only to look back at your predictions for Philadelphia to see that I'm right. Of course, the Reds could collapse and leave me with egg on my face.

THOMAS HOTTLE, Cincinnati, OH

Pro Football

I am writing to you as a U.K. fan of *Street & Smith's Pro Football* magazine. I have been fortunate to be visiting the USA during June in the last two years and bought a copy, which I have found to be invaluable. I would be grateful if you could post me the 32nd year [1994] of this excellent magazine and I will gladly send you by return mail the cost including any postage and handling. Thank you.

A. PARRY, Glasgow, Scotland

College Football

I am writing this letter to call your attention to a practice of your magazine that is offensive to graduates of Southern University. Your magazine refers to our school as Southern-Baton Rouge, or Southern-B.R. The proper designation for our school is Southern University. I believe that you do this so that your readers will know where Southern is located. If this is the case (and should you find it necessary to continue to do this), would you please use the designation "Southern University (LA)" or "Southern (LA)." This is a practice that you currently use to distinguish Miami (OH) from Miami (FL), and you also use it to inform your readers of the locations of other schools (i.e., St. Joseph's of Pa.). I don't feel that any additional description is necessary, as the name "Southern University" stands on its own merits and accomplishments. But if you really believe that the additional descriptions are needed to adequately inform your readers, then I ask that you use one of the designations given above and to discontinue the offensive practice you currently use when reporting on our great institution.

AUSBRA E. McFARLAND, Cincinnati, OH
The NCAA, in its schedules, statistics, standings, and I-AA classification, refers to the university as "Southern-Baton Rouge" and "Southern-B.R."

College Basketball

Being a woman's basketball fan, I was disappointed by two things concerning the 1993-94 College/Prep Basketball magazine: no women's basketball schedules and misinformation that credited Northwestern with "upsets over Ohio State last year and Iowa the previous one." It's only fair to point out that the Wildcats did not beat Ohio State in 1992-93, nor did they beat Iowa the previous season. When Ohio State shared the Big

Ten title with Iowa, the Buckeyes' two league losses were at Iowa and at Penn State. The season before, when Iowa won the Big Ten title with a 16-2 mark, the Hawkeyes' two losses were at Wisconsin and at Purdue.

As for the schedules, I would like to see future issues include schedules of women's teams so that myself and other women's hoops fans can keep track of who's playing who, just like you do for the men's teams. I've found your magazine to be extremely interesting and informative over the years, but quite frankly, unless you show more respect for the growing sport of women's basketball, I'm afraid I'll have to stop buying it. Thank you.

JOHN DOGGETT, Victorville, CA

Pro Basketball

I enjoyed your 1993-94 Pro Basketball issue. In the article "Star Search," you mentioned Ethimas Retzies of Greece and stated "The last Greek to play at a major school was Pano Fassoulas at N.C. State, who was drafted in 1986." Excuse me, sonny, but isn't Rony Seikaly Greek? Seikaly graduated from Syracuse University and was drafted by the Miami Heat in 1988.

WILLIAM STONE, Troy, NY
Rony Seikaly was born in Beirut, Lebanon and attended American Community High School in Athens, Greece.

Ever since you came out with the *Street & Smith's Pro Basketball* edition—separate from the College edition—I've made it a point to secure a copy. (Here in the Philippines, basketball is the No. 1 sport.) I like your magazine because it's very informative and full of complete NBA stats with interesting features and interviews with different players and coaches.

There's one suggestion that I hope you will consider. I've noticed that your Pro Basketball comes out more than a month before the regular season begins. Why not make it right before the season opens? That way, you won't miss out on the latest player trades and other basketball news. For example, Michael Jordan suddenly retired and Sean Elliot was traded for Dennis Rodman. Those were major moves which affected your basketball observations and analyses. Also, instead of the NBA Legends or Rookie games during the All-Star weekend, why not a two-on-two or three vs. three competition? Those would be more interesting.

Keep up the good work and more power to you!

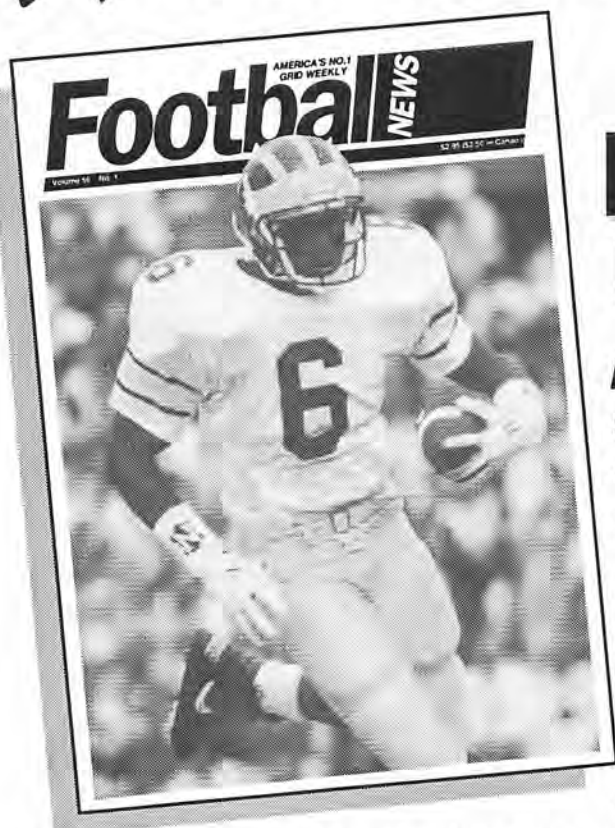
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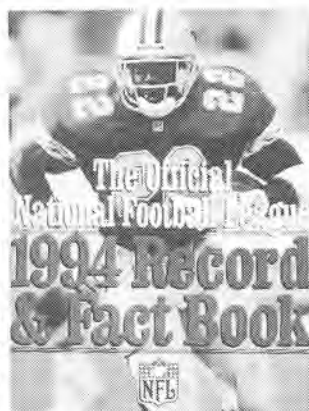
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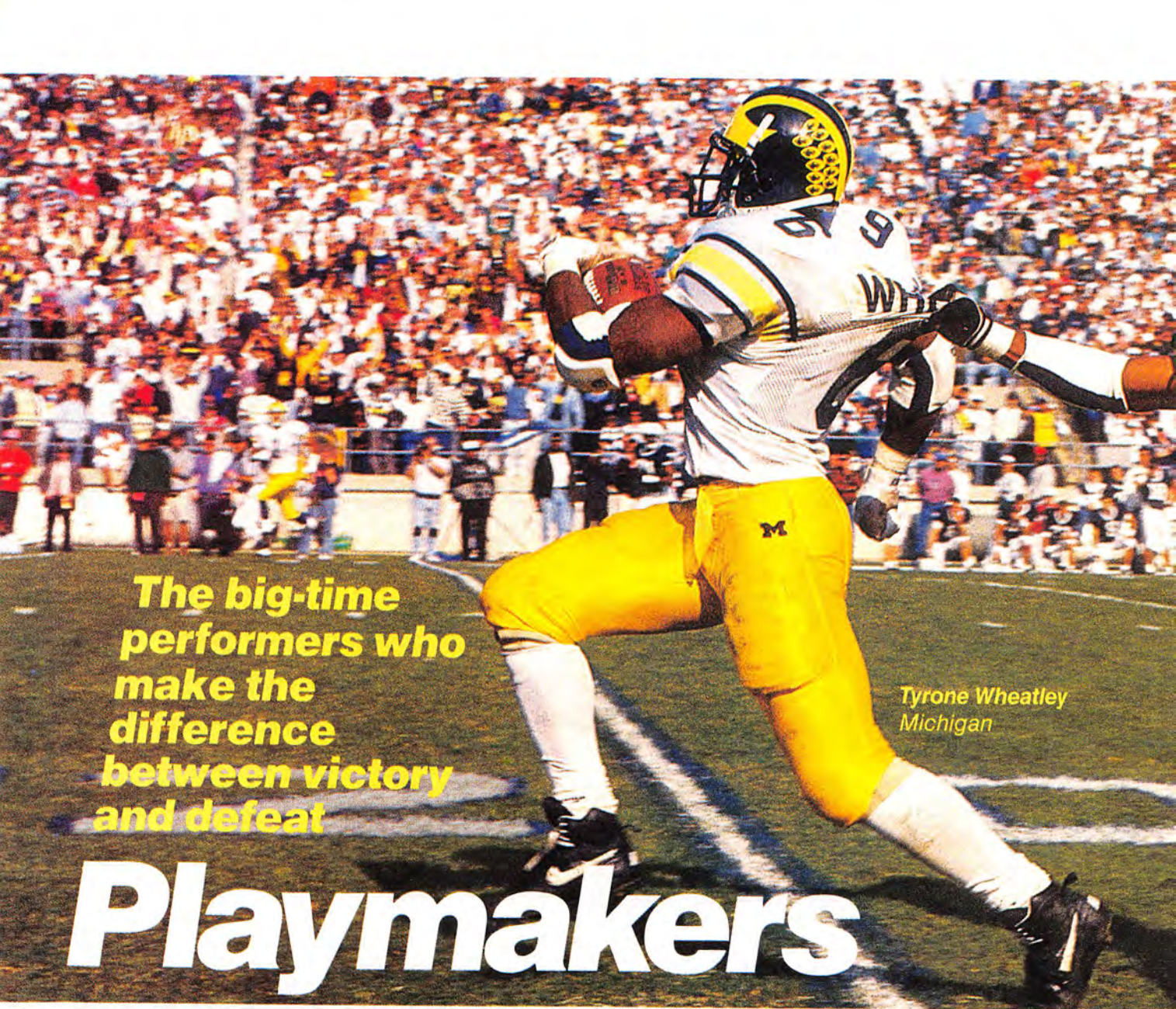
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Playmakers

by **LARRY FELSER**

BUFFALO NEWS

Before Jimmy Johnson was so rudely interrupted in the midst of establishing a dynasty with the Dallas Cowboys, his method of building and then reinforcing his team each spring in the college draft was relatively simple. He wasn't overcome if the computers went "Tilt" in recognition of a prospect's speed. He would not be wide-eyed with awe at mountainous size. He looked for something else. "I like playmakers," he explained. Consequently the Dallas roster is full of athletes who, during their college career, consistently performed the tasks that meant the difference between victory and defeat. They made the big plays.

This college season is awash with performers who have already established their reputations as playmakers, from Pac-10 quarterbacks to an Atlantic Coast Conference linebacker who can be a scoring machine. The list ranges from the expected (players on perennial powers such as Florida State and Notre Dame) to the unexpect-

ed (a running back from Rutgers, a long-time struggler).

ROB JOHNSON

Late in his sophomore season at the University of Southern California, quarterback Rob Johnson was confronted by the great defense of Arizona, then on a five-game winning streak. It was a typical Arizona gut-check game, with the Wildcats leading 7-6 midway through the final quarter when the Trojans drove to their 3-yard line. Tailback Deon Strother took a pitchout from Johnson and ran right, but then he suddenly stopped and lofted the football to Johnson, who had run a pass route into the end zone. Johnson was covered tightly by cornerback Jey Phillips, but his leap produced the winning catch. It was in character for Johnson. He has been making crucial plays since early in his high school days in El Toro, California, where he was drafted by the Minnesota Twins in baseball and heavily recruited as a basketball player. As a junior wide receiver he caught 65 passes, including a dozen for

touchdowns, from Steve Stenstrom, now Stanford's quarterback.

Johnson also knows the flip side of playmaking. Against UCLA late last season in the game that would decide the Pac-10's Rose Bowl representative, the Trojans trailed when Johnson drove them to the 3-yard line with a 33-yard pass to Johnnie Morton and a 43-yarder to Ken Grace. All he needed was a field goal to tie or a touchdown to get to the Rose Bowl. Instead Marvin Goodwin of UCLA intercepted Johnson in the end zone. Johnson handled the disappointment and the indignation of the alumni, but the sympathy was something else. "I can't stand the pity," he said. "It's the worst."

Count on Johnson to overcome that bad day. In the final game of his sophomore season, he was intercepted three times by Fresno State in the Freedom Bowl in one of the Trojans' all-time fright losses. He responded by allowing only one interception in his first 167 passes (covering five games) in 1993. He finished with a touchdown-pass-to-interception ratio of 29-6.



Doug Pensinger / Allsport

for Clemson. The Tigers needed only a foot for a first down and Blunt got the ball, but Brooks crushed him before he gained an inch and set the tone for FSU's 57-0 victory.

Brooks scored touchdowns in three consecutive games last fall, either by fumble recovery or interception. "I've never seen a defensive player do what he did," said Bowden. "Not even Deion did that." Jim Gladden, his linebacker coach, analyzes Brooks more indelicately: "Derrick is like a cockroach. It's not what he carts off and eats. It's what he falls in and messes up."

WARRICK DUNN

Veterans like Brooks and Ward overshadowed Dunn's playmaking skills until late in the season, when the Seminoles were running out of momentum and the University of Florida was gathering its own as it cut Florida State's lead to six points and sent the record crowd of 85,507 at Florida Field into a frenzy. All that Bowden wanted was a first down and some ball control with the clock slipping under six minutes. Ward faked to Dunn off play action, then looked quickly to his right for wide receiver Kez McCorvey, who had run a curl-in. Instead he saw a Florida pass rusher in his face. Ward was

20, and Dunn relied on a trick he learned from watching one of the Gators' own immortals. "I got caught by the heels early in the season, but then I learned to kick up my feet when somebody was trying to catch me from behind like that," explained Dunn. "I learned it from watching Emmitt Smith."

BOBBY ENGRAM

Bobby Engram spent most of his first two seasons at Penn State watching O.J. McDuffie, one of the school's all-time game-breakers. With McDuffie a Miami Dolphin last year, Engram set about building a quick reputation of his own. He began loudly, catching four touchdown passes from John Sacca in Penn State's first Big Ten game.

Yet the defining Engram play came against Indiana in a game in which Joe Paterno was relying on tight defense and field goals to carry him through. Penn State hadn't scored a touchdown in six quarters and Kerry Collins replaced Sacca as quarterback in a controversial move. When they came to Happy Valley early in November, the Hoosiers were 6-1, including 4-1 in the conference, and off to their best start since their 1967 Rose Bowl team. They had visions of roses once again when they drove 80

Since the Bobby Bowden era began at Florida State, there has been a tradition of playmakers, from Deion Sanders and Terrell Buckley to Marvin Jones and Amp Lee, from Peter Tom Willis and Casey Weldon to Charlie Ward. Even though Ward, the school's first Heisman Trophy winner, has completed his eligibility, there are still a number of Seminole playmakers remaining. The most obvious are Derrick Brooks, the explosive linebacker, and Warrick Dunn, the sophomore running back.

DERRICK BROOKS

Back when he was a sophomore at Washington High School in Pensacola, Brooks suffered a humiliation that still motivates him. He prepared to make a goal-line stand against cross-town rival Pine Forest, but when tailback Rodney Blunt got the ball, he knocked Brooks back into the end zone and scored. "I'm not going to let anyone run over me again," vowed Brooks. Last season Brooks looked across the line of scrimmage and saw Blunt once more, playing tailback



Bruce L. Schwartzman

Derrick Brooks Florida State

flushed out of the pocket and the receivers went into their scramble drill. The idea is for the receivers to run to an open spot and hope the quarterback will find them. Dunn had slipped through the line of scrimmage, got behind a Gator linebacker, and cut to his left. He caught Ward's pass at the Seminole 35, got a block at the 30, and headed up the sideline in front of the Florida State bench. There was one man to beat near the Florida

yards for the tying touchdown midway in the fourth quarter. The Nittany Lions tried to strike back, but their responding drive seemed to stall at the Indiana 45. On third and 10, Collins called Engram's number. "Bobby and I were on the same page," he explained. Earlier the two had collaborated on a touchdown pass against an Indiana blitz. This time Collins was chased from the pocket. He found Engram open near the In-

diana 30. Engram moved left to lose the coverage, then cut upfield after the catch to beat the last pursuer. The touchdown not only broke open the game but broke McDuffie's single-season school record. Engram finished with 13 touchdowns.

JOHN WALSH

To the roster of record-setting quarterbacks turned out by Brigham Young University, add the name John Walsh. The 6-4, 210-pound junior, coming off a shoulder injury in 1992, improved as the '93 season wore on, completing over 61 percent of his passes for 3,727 yards and 28 touchdowns, including 15 in the final 10 quarters of play. He was fifth in the nation in total offense, producing almost 311 yards per game. Seven times last fall he threw for over 300 yards, including four games of over 400 yards. He had 439 yards and four touchdowns in a 48-45 loss to Fresno State on October 23; the following week he shattered the school record with 619 yards and five TDs in a 58-56 loss to Utah State. Overshadowed in the Western Athletic Conference by San Diego State's Marshall Faulk, the No. 2 pick in the NFL draft, and Fresno State's Trent Dilfer, the sixth selection, Walsh directed an offense that averaged 35.5 points per game (the defense yielded 37.0) and led the Cougars to the Holiday Bowl (BYU's 16th straight bowl), where he was named co-Offensive MVP in a 28-21 setback to Ohio State. He'll get competition in the pass-happy WAC this fall from Mike McCoy of Utah and Tim Gutierrez of San Diego State, each of whom completed over 61 percent of his passes for more than 3,000 yards and 20 touchdowns.

DERRICK MAYES

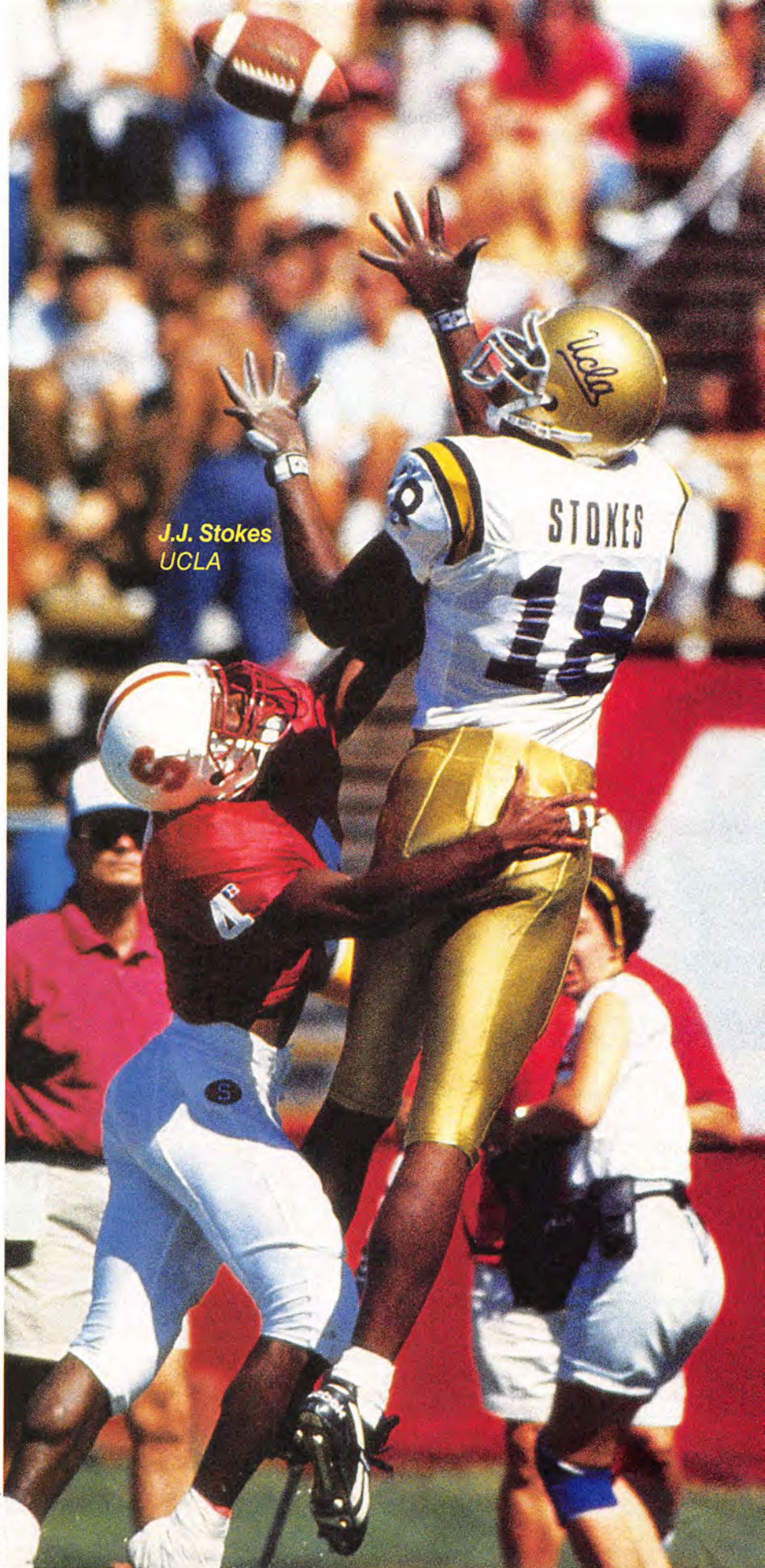
As usual, Notre Dame has playmakers in bunches. Derrick Mayes didn't even start a game last season as a sophomore, but he established himself as one of the most dangerous performers in the nation. It was his spectacular 46-yard touchdown catch that started the Irish comeback after they fell behind by 21 points to Boston College in that memorable game last fall. Anything Mayes does should not be a surprise, since the first three passes he caught as a freshman all went for touchdowns.

BOBBY TAYLOR

Cornerback Bobby Taylor may rank with Florida State's Brooks as the most explosive college defender this season. Like Mayes, he's been making plays since he was a freshman safety. It was Taylor who blocked the extra point that enabled the Irish to defeat Penn State, 17-16, that year. Last season in the Stanford game, feature receiver Justin Armour, covered by Taylor, was the target for 11 passes. Armour went 0-for-11. Taylor also blocked two field goals in that game and another against Purdue.

LEE BECTON

Running back Lee Becton is a much quieter playmaker than his teammates Mayes and Taylor, but in the game of the year against Florida State, at a time when the Seminoles were choking every opponent's top ball carrier, Becton produced one important first down after another on his way to a 122-yard day and a Notre Dame victory.



J.J. Stokes
UCLA

Ohio Greife/Allsport

PETE MITCHELL

Boston College's superb tight end caught 66 passes last season, dozens of them vital. But he saved his best for the upset over Notre Dame. Not only did he tie Tom Waddle's school record of 13 receptions in one game, but 12 of the catches produced either a first down or a touchdown. NBC commentator Cris Collinsworth, a former All-America at Florida and all-pro with Cincinnati, couldn't contain himself. "He is the best receiver I have ever seen in college football," said Collinsworth.

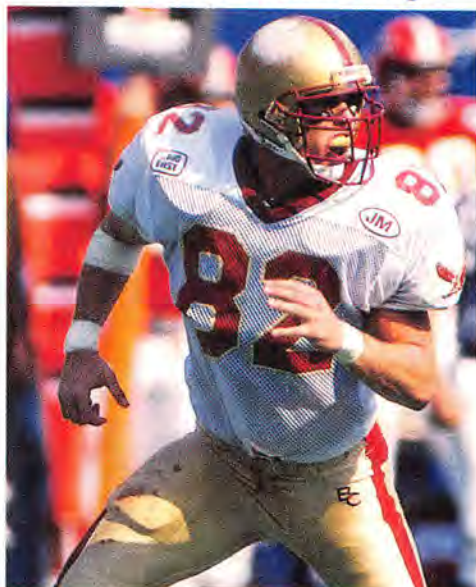
TYRONE WHEATLEY

Tyrone Wheatley is such a dominant runner that he is in danger of being taken for granted. Ron Johnson, the man who still holds the Michigan record for yards gained in a single game, accomplished 26 years ago, compares him to Herschel Walker, but gives Wheatley a decided edge. "Tyrone has the ability to be a stronger runner," said Johnson. "One of Herschel's shortcomings was that he didn't use his size and strength enough. Tyrone runs over people. He's an unbelievably physical runner." But it is a finesse maneuver that underlines Wheatley's ability as a playmaker. In the Indiana game last year, Hoosier safety Chris Dyer closed quickly to meet Wheatley, who had taken a handoff and headed for the sideline. Wheatley cut quickly to his left, Dyer fell to his knees, and the Michigan star continued on for a 54-yard touchdown run.

J.J. STOKES

The most spectacular playmaker this fall could be J.J. Stokes, the 6-5 leaper from UCLA. He designated himself a marked man toward the end of the 1992 season when he caught six passes for 263 yards in a 38-37 victory over USC. Half the catches were for touchdowns of 57, 29, and 90 yards, the last of which won the game. Marked man or not, he was rarely stopped in 1993. During the course of a five-game stretch he caught 12 touchdown passes. Stokes's philosophy is simple: "Let me catch this and keep on going."

Pete Mitchell Boston College



ERIC ZEIER

At Georgia, quarterback Eric Zeier lost two outstanding teammates, running back Garrison Hearst and wide receiver Andre Hastings, when they left school a year early for the NFL. Halfway through the season, the Bulldogs were 1-4. But then Zeier began doing what he had done in his first two years at Georgia—making plays by the basketful. Only this time he was throwing to nine different receivers. He got his team back to winning by breaking the 24-year-old Southeastern Conference passing record with 544 yards in a 56-24 victory over Southern Mississippi. He followed that performance with 379 yards and 425 yards in victories over Vanderbilt and Kentucky.

JAKE PLUMMER

Arizona State hopes that it has a Pac-10 version of Zeier in Jake Plummer, one of only two "pure" freshman quarterbacks to start in major college football last season. Plummer's first pass gained 78 yards and a touchdown. Initial shock is becoming his stock. The Sun Devils won their third consecutive game with Plummer at quarterback when they stunned California with a 62-yard pass on their first offensive play. "We wanted to run that play first if it appeared to be there, and it was," explained Plummer. "It depended upon the free safety biting: He bit." In 1992, Arizona State's longest pass completion was 43 yards. After just his third start, Plummer had already completed four passes of more than 50 yards, four of them for touchdowns.

JOEY GALLOWAY

A mini-version of UCLA's Stokes at 5-10 and 180 pounds, Joey Galloway of Ohio State, like Stokes, is consistently breathtaking. He scored a touchdown in each of the Buckeyes' first six games and in nine of 12 overall. He became the first wide receiver in school history to lead the team in scoring with 11 touchdown catches (tying the OSU record held by Cris Carter, now with the Minnesota Vikings) and two TD runs. But it is Galloway's playmaking ability that puts him on the top shelf with this season's college players. In the Michigan State game last year, he caught a screen pass in the right flat that seemed to be a dead end. Instead, he reversed his direction to the left. A Buckeye assistant shouted into the headphones of coach John Cooper, "What in the heck is he doing?" Cooper, watching the field, saw a space blink open. "He's probably going to score a touchdown," he answered. Galloway didn't score, but as quarterback Bob Hoyer said, "He made 10 yards out of nothing." Galloway has a knack for turning ordinary plays into big ones. On fourth-and-two against Washington, he ran a 12-yard quick curl pattern, made the catch, and turned it into a 35-yard touchdown play that broke open Ohio State's 21-12 victory.

TERRELL WILLIS

Rutgers suffered through a disappointing 4-7 season in 1993, but Terrell Willis was at least a soothing balm. In the Scarlet Knights' opener, Willis blazed 45 yards against Colgate on the first carry of his career. On his second he went the remaining five yards for a touchdown. Once he broke into the start-



Joey Galloway Ohio State

ing lineup, his speed overmatched most opponents. In his first start he scored four touchdowns against Army. In his second he scored three against tough Virginia Tech. By the time he finished, he had 2,026 all-purpose yards, breaking Herschel Walker's NCAA freshman record, and became the first freshman ever named all-Big East.

ANTONIO ARMSTRONG

Texas A&M has a lineage of outstanding linebackers that includes Quentin Coryatt, Aaron Wallace, Johnny Holland, John Roper, Larry Kelm, and William Thomas. Carrying on the Aggie tradition is Antonio Armstrong (formerly Antonio Shorter), the Most Valuable Defensive Player in the Cotton Bowl despite his team's loss to Notre Dame. Armstrong had three sacks and three tackles for losses while playing over Aaron Taylor, the Lombardi Trophy winner, for most of the afternoon. "I don't know who that No. 56 was," said Taylor after the game, "but he was one of the fastest guys I've ever seen. A few times he ran past me like I was wearing cement shoes." No one will have to tell the Aggies' opponents this season's that No. 56 is Armstrong. They'll know.

LEELAND McELROY

Across the line, Texas A&M was loaded with offensive weapons. Running mates Rodney Thomas (5.2-yard average) and Greg Hill (5.7) combined for 1,703 yards and 19 touchdowns last fall, but freshman Leeland McElroy, at 5-11 and 200 pounds, was the Aggies' most dangerous threat. The Southwest Conference Newcomer of the Year rushed for 613 yards and seven TDs on just 72 carries (8.5 average), caught 19 passes for 224 yards and four scores, and led the nation with a 39.3-yard average on 15 kick-offs, returning three for touchdowns. Overall, McElroy averaged 13.5 yards every time he touched the ball. That's a playmaker! □

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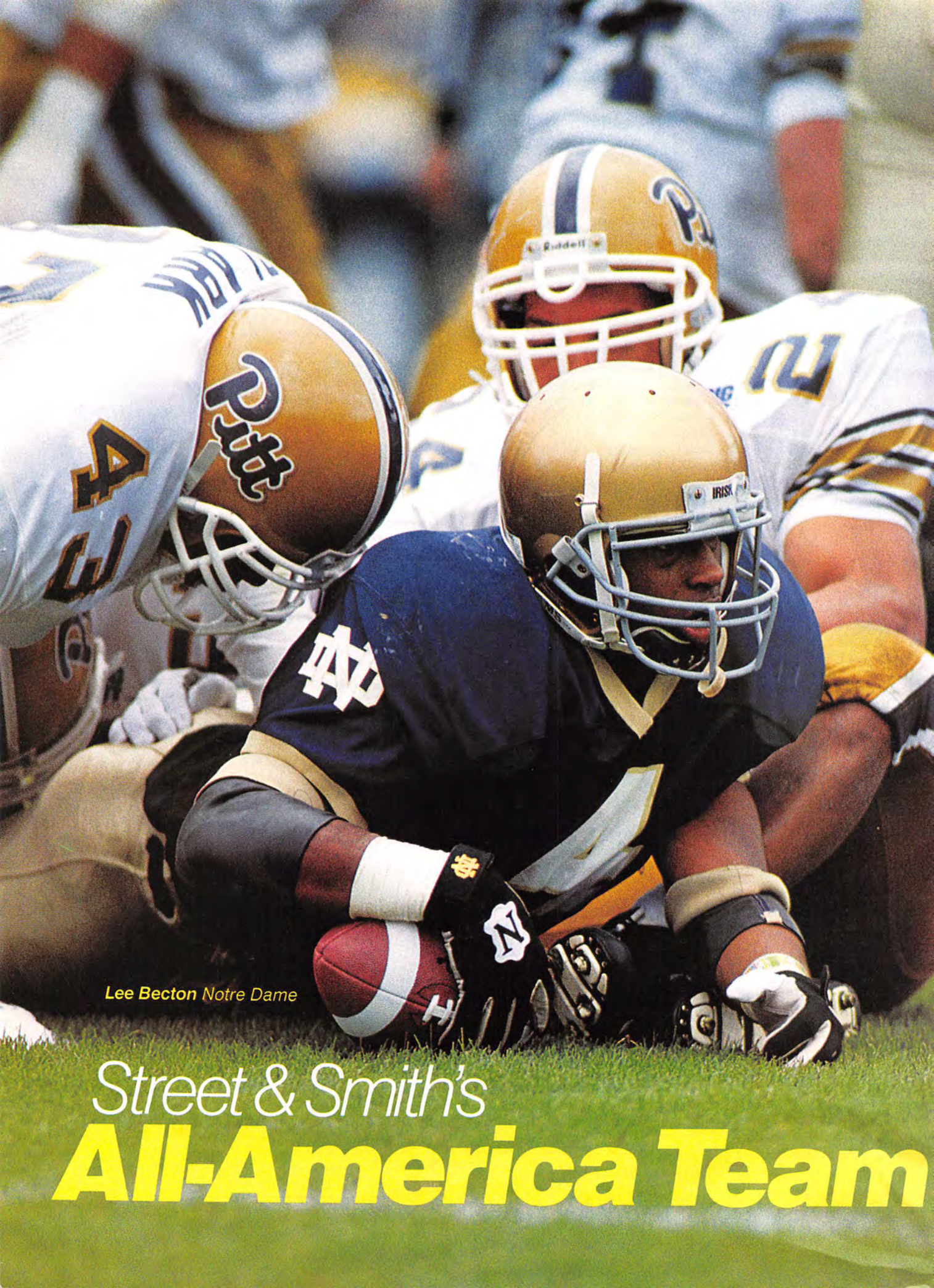
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Lee Becton Notre Dame

Street & Smith's
All-America Team

by JIM CARLEY

Four players who won consensus All-America status last season (Florida State linebacker Derrick Brooks, wide receiver J.J. Stokes and place-kicker Bjorn Merten, both of UCLA, and Auburn punter Terry Daniel) top this year's Street & Smith's preseason All-America squad. As such, they were the easiest choices on the 1994 list. Conversely, one of the most difficult selections was at quarterback, where three players easily stood above the rest. Oddly, two of those had played at the same high school in El Toro, California.

Pac Men

In 1989, Rob Johnson was a junior wide receiver and Steve Stenstrom a senior quarterback who helped lead El Toro to a 12-2 record and the state finals. Johnson caught 55 passes for 1,260 yards and 12 touchdowns that year while Stenstrom hit 117 of 179 passes for 2,175 yards and 25 TDs. Stenstrom then went on to Stanford, where he spent his first season as a redshirt freshman. Johnson, whose father, Bob, was El Toro's coach, took over the quarterback duties as a senior and hit 207 of 303 passes for 2,788 yards and 29 touchdowns as El Toro went 11-2 and made it to the state semifinals. Johnson went to Southern Cal the following year, and now he and Stenstrom are considered by many to be the top two quarterbacks in the country. They continue to be close friends as they both make a bid for All-America and possible Heisman Trophy honors this season.

Johnson gets the edge on Street & Smith's first team over Stenstrom and Georgia's Eric Zeier, mostly because of a lower interception ratio. Johnson hit 278 of 405 passes for 3,285 and 26 touchdowns with only five interceptions, a rate of 1.23 per 100 passes. That's the best interception ratio of any returning player with more than 300 passes last year and was a Pac-10 record.

"Sure, he's a leading candidate for the Heisman," USC coach John Robinson said. "But more importantly to our team, he can be the total quarterback by providing the winning edge that great players in that position can provide. His accuracy is phenomenal and his interception rate is amazing."

Already second on the school's all-time passing list (behind 1988 Heisman runner-up Rodney Peete), the 6-4, 220-pound Johnson set nine school records as he edged Stenstrom for Pac-10 first-team honors last year. But it was close. At Stanford, they're already talking about Stenstrom in the same breath as that other Cardinal great, John Elway. Stenstrom set or tied three conference and five school records last year as he hit 300 of 455 passes for 3,627 yards and 27 touchdowns with 14 interceptions. Johnson and Stenstrom both broke Elway's Pac-10 standard of 3,242 passing yards set in 1982. Stanford coach Bill Walsh believes his 6-3, 205-pound senior is second to none.

"There is no question Steve has to be considered one of the top quarterbacks in college football," Walsh said. "He's an outstanding candidate for the Heisman Trophy and All-America. He has become a precision quarterback who can throw a variety of passes, including the long ball. I think Steve could very well be the best passer in college football in 1994. He has a great future in professional football and, if he continues to improve, I believe he'll be a high draft choice in the NFL."

Still, neither Johnson nor Stenstrom is far ahead of Zeier, who threw for 3,525 yards and 24 touchdowns with only seven interceptions. Look for the another high-octane offense from the Bulldogs with Zeier throwing again to junior wide receiver Brice Hunter, another Street & Smith's preseason pick. Hunter caught 76 passes, fourth in the nation last year and tops among all returning

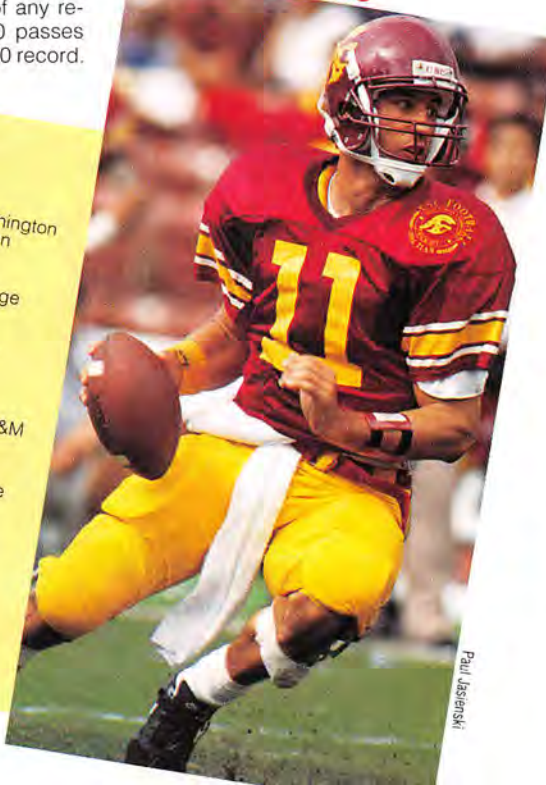
players, for 970 yards and nine touchdowns.

Stokes, the Bruins' flyer, caught 68 passes for 1,005 yards as a junior. He also had an eye-popping 17 touchdowns to lead the Pac-10 in scoring. The 6-5, 214-pounder is certain to be a high draft pick.

Close behind Stokes on the Pac-10 scoring list was Washington running backs Napoleon Kaufman, who had 14 touchdowns; if he matches that figure this season, he will become the Huskies' all-time leader, with 38. Despite his 5-9, 185-pound frame, Kaufman, who rushed for 1,299 yards (5.7-yard average) last year, is coveted by the pros. He runs a 4.3 in the 40 (and a 6.32 in the 55-meter dash for the Huskie track team last spring), bench presses 385 pounds, and has a vertical leap of 37 inches. The versatile Kaufman also returned punts and kick-offs and caught 23 passes for 139 yards last year, which has new offensive coordinator Bill Dierdrick vowing to throw plenty more passes his way this fall. Kaufman's 1,851 all-purpose yards last season broke Hugh McElhenry's 42-year-old school record.

At our other running back is Michigan tailback Tyrone Wheatley. He set the school's

Rob Johnson USC



Brent Moss Wisconsin

all-time rushing record with his 35th score in the Hall of Fame Bowl. That pushed his overall total to 40, tying him with former Wolverine All-America receiver Anthony Carter. Wheatley, who finished eighth in the Heisman voting, had 1,129 yards rushing last year, which was slightly off his 1,357 as a sophomore. He has 3,034 career rushing yards, one of only five players in school history to gain 3,000. Michigan is 13-1-1 when Wheatley, who has gained 100 or more

FIRST TEAM

Offense

QB . Rob Johnson . Sr. . USC
RB . Napoleon Kaufman . Sr. . Washington
RB . Tyrone Wheatley . Sr. . Michigan
WR . J.J. Stokes . Jr. . UCLA
WR . Brice Hunter . Jr. . Georgia
TE . Pete Mitchell . Sr. . Boston College
OL . Zach Wiegert . Sr. . Nebraska
OL . Blake Brockmeyer . Jr. . Texas
OL . Tony Boselli . Sr. . USC
OL . Reggie Green . Jr. . Florida
PK . Bjorn Merten . Soph. . UCLA
KR . Leeland McElroy . Soph. . Texas A&M

Defense

DL . Tedy Bruschi . Jr. . Arizona
DL . Derrick Alexander . Jr. . Florida State
DL . Shannon Clavelle . Jr. . Colorado
LB . Kevin Carter . Sr. . Florida
LB . Derrick Brooks . Sr. . Florida State
LB . Dana Howard . Sr. . Illinois
LB . Sean Harris . Sr. . Arizona
DB . Bobby Taylor . Jr. . Notre Dame
DB . Chris Hudson . Sr. . Colorado
DB . Clifton Abraham . Sr. . Florida State
DB . Orlanda Thomas . Sr. . SW Louisiana
P . Terry Daniel . Sr. . Auburn

All-America Team

yards in 14 of his last 19 games, gains 100. In 1993, the Wolverines were 2-3 when he didn't hit the century mark.

At tight end is Boston College's sure-handed Pete Mitchell, who shows his versatility as the team's long-snapper on punts and then races downfield on the coverage. His biggest value to the team, of course, is in receiving, where the 6-2, 228-pounder caught 66 passes for 818 yards and seven touchdowns last year to lead the Big East in receptions. And Mitchell was at his best in the big games, particularly BC's upset of top-ranked Notre Dame. Against the Irish, he tied a school record with 13 catches for 132 yards, with 10 of the receptions for first downs and two for touchdowns (the 13th

for 613 yards and seven touchdowns, including one 81-yard TD against Houston, in mostly reserve play. He also caught 19 passes for 224 yards and four more touchdowns. He's expected to be the centerpiece of the A&M offense and one of the most dangerous players in the country this season.

On the Line

Leading our first-team offensive line is Ohio State tackle Korey Stringer, who just missed consensus All-America status last year when he made three first teams (Kodak, Walter Camp, and Scripps Howard) and was second-team on the Associated Press list. One of three juniors on the preseason first-team line, Stringer and defensive tackle

to repeating when he dislocated his kneecap and missed five games last fall. Robinson says Boselli "has the overall athletic ability to be an Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award winner. He's competitive, athletic, has great balance, and has devoted himself to being stronger."

The third junior on the first-team line is Florida's massive Reggie Green, a 6-6, 298-pounder who has started 24 games. The super-strong Green, who two years ago was called "the best freshman tackle I've ever seen in college football" by former Philadelphia Eagles coach Dick Vermeil, helped the Gators run up a Southeastern Conference record 472 points in 1993.

For the Defense

On defense, three players off national champion Florida State's team lead the way, and one of those, linebacker Derrick Brooks, is intent on finding new ways to get better. That may be difficult to do. Brooks did about everything a player could do last year when he won consensus All-America honors, was named Defensive Player of the Year on the Football Writers' team, and was a finalist for both the Butkus and Lombardi awards. Brooks was so dominant the first half of the season that he outscored the Seminoles' first five opponents collectively 18-14 by himself. Even Brooks realizes it will be hard to score three touchdowns (two interception returns and one fumble return) again. But he still expects to be a better player after he surprised many observers in shunning the NFL to return for his senior year.

Kevin Carter Florida



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SECOND TEAM

Offense

QB... Steve Stenstrom... Sr... Stanford
RB... Brent Moss... Sr... Wisconsin
RB... Lee Becton... Sr... Notre Dame
WR... Kez McCorvey... Sr... Florida State
WR... Justin Armour... Sr... Stanford
TE... Mark Bruener... Sr... Washington
OL... Clay Shiver... Jr... Florida State
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DL... Chad Eaton... Sr... Washington State
DL... Tom Barndt... Sr... Pittsburgh
DL... Warren Sapp... Jr... Miami
DL... Regan Upshaw... Soph... California
LB... Brian Gelzheiser... Sr... Penn State
LB... Jerrold Willard... Sr... California
LB... Lorenzo Stiles... Jr... Ohio State
DB... Jeff Messenger... Sr... Wisconsin
DB... Tony Bouie... Sr... Arizona
DB... Calvin Jackson... Jr... Auburn
DB... Ty Law... Jr... Michigan
P... Brad Faunce... Sr... UNLV

Steve Stenstrom
Stanford

went for nine yards). NBC commentator Cris Collinsworth, a former standout wide receiver himself with the Cincinnati Bengals, was so moved by the performance that day that he called Mitchell "the best receiver I've ever seen in college football."

UCLA's Merten finished second in the country in field goals (20 in 25 attempts) as a freshman. His .800 success rate was tops among players with more than 20 attempts. He added 31 PATs for a total of 91 points, 14th in the nation.

At the other skill position on offense is Texas A&M's Leeland McElroy, who is Street & Smith's kick-return specialist. McElroy had Aggie fans drooling after a startling freshman season in which he led the nation in kickoff returns (39.3-yard average). McElroy took three of those kicks back for touchdowns, tying an NCAA record. Two of those came against Rice on consecutive kickoffs, while the third went for 100 yards against Texas in an 18-9 Aggie victory. Though A&M had a stable of gifted, upperclassmen at running back, McElroy still managed to rush

Dan Wilkinson became the first Buckeye sophomores to win All-America honors since 1979. Wilkinson then opted for the NFL draft. Big Ten coaches not only selected Stringer on their all-league first team but also picked him as the conference's best offensive lineman. Ohio State coach John Cooper calls Stringer "the best young lineman I've ever coached."

Nebraska has another outstanding offensive tackle in 6-5, 300-pound Zach Wiegert, who also received All-America support a year ago. He won his second all-Big Eight selection last fall when he was credited with 73 "pancake" (knockdown) blocks as the Huskers finished third in rushing in the nation, averaging 287.9 yards per game.

Texas will move all-SWC tackle Blake Brockmeyer from the right side to the featured left-tackle position this year. The 6-5, 286-pounder junior has already started 22 straight games and is being compared with some of the school's legendary linemen.

Southern Cal's Tony Boselli made All-America two years ago and was on his way

"I want to be more of a leader this year," Brooks said. "My goal is to be a leader like Charlie [Ward] was. We could always look at Charlie when things were bad, and his whole presence brought us confidence. And I want to concentrate my efforts on being a better practice player, too. I want to be like former FSU All-America linebacker Marvin Jones. I want to practice harder and then show up on Saturday and give this team the attitude that we will win the game regardless of what we have to do."

Brooks, who was also a second-team Academic All-America with his 3.13 GPA in business communications, will be hard pressed to top his junior season. That's when he had 77 tackles, including seven for losses, blocked a punt, caused two fumbles, and recovered two others. Quite a year for a player who spent much of the second half of the season hobbled by a sprained ankle, a neck burn, and a fractured hand.

"The first thing I want to do is stay healthy and prove to the pro scouts that my body's not fragile," Brooks said. "I don't like people wondering if I'm injury-prone. The way I look

J.D. Cuban/Allsport

Derrick Alexander
Florida State



Jim Gaud/Allsport



Napoleon Kaufman Washington

at it, I'm 20 years old and I've been healthy 19 years of my life. And I've been playing football since I was eight years old."

Another Seminole, Derrick Alexander, a 6-5, 282-pound junior end, won mention on several All-America teams last year, including first team on the Football Writers'. Alexander had 100 tackles, including five sacks and 13 tackles for loss, despite the fact that most opponents ran away from him. In the Orange Bowl, Alexander had a whopping 11 tackles, eight of them solos.

The third FSU defender on our first team is senior cornerback Clifton Abraham, who played in the shadow of departed consensus All-America teammate Corey Sawyer last year. But this season Abraham switches from the "boundary" corner he has played

All-America Team

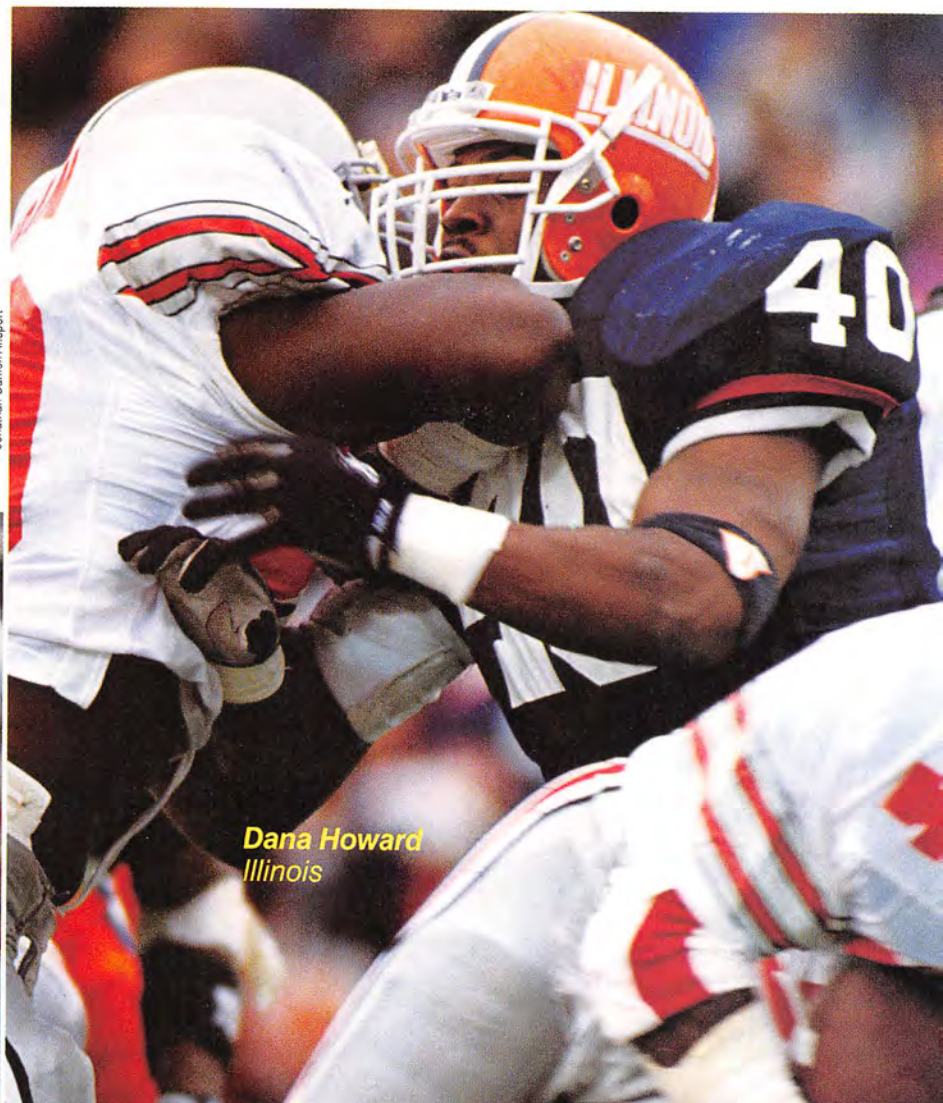
the last two years to Sawyer's "field" corner position. Though Sawyer got much of the notice, insiders say Abraham actually made more big plays, scoring one touchdown on an interception return and two others on recovered blocked punts.

Notre Dame junior free safety Bobby Taylor saw consensus All-America Jeff Burris get much of the spotlight in the Irish secondary last fall. Some observers still thought Taylor might have been the better defensive back. He won a couple of first-team All-America selections himself and also was among the three finalists for the Thorpe Award. He had a season of big plays, leading Notre Dame in interceptions, with four, breaking up nine passes, blocking two field goals, and making a key third-down sack in the Michigan game.

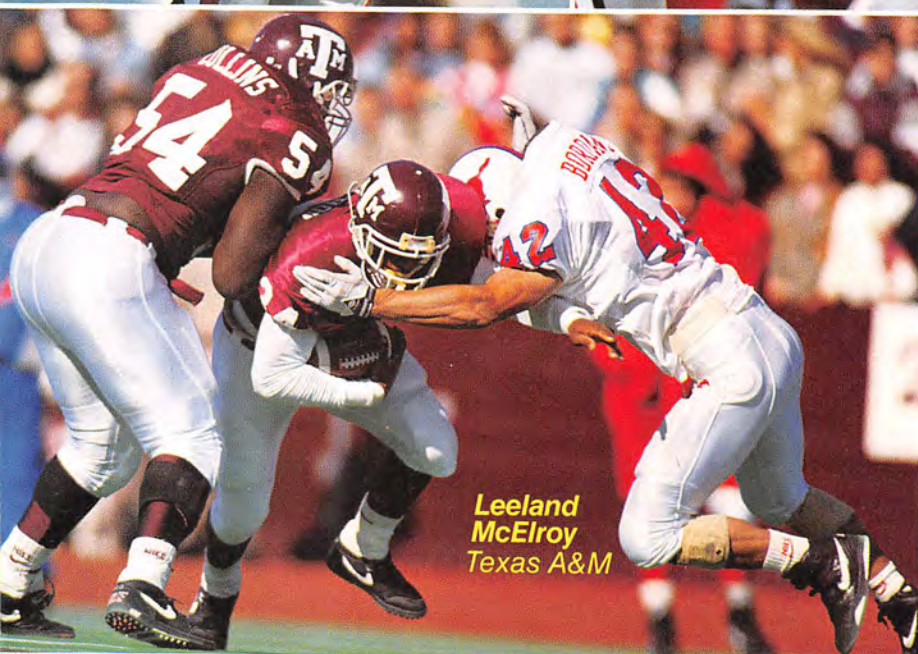
Eric Zeier Georgia



James D. Smith



Dana Howard Illinois



Leeland McElroy Texas A&M



Joe Patroni/Allsport

Arizona, which finished second in the nation in total defense, has two players on the Street & Smith's first team in end Tedy Bruschi and linebacker Sean Harris. Bruschi, whose name is pronounced BREW-ski, worked setting up advertising displays for a beer company one summer. But on the field he's a sobering player, especially for quarterbacks. Bruschi had 19 sacks last year and a startling 27½ tackles for losses totaling 171 yards. He had at least one sack in every game, including the Fiesta Bowl, where he won MVP honors.

There was speculation that Harris would go pro after he won all-Pac-10 and was a semifinalist for the Butkus award. Wildcat fans are glad he remained in school. He had 85 tackles, five sacks, caused two fumbles, recovered two others, and intercepted two

passes last season.

Colorado also placed two players on our first team in cornerback Chris Hudson and tackle Shannon Clavelle. Hudson is a two-time all-Big Eight player who has seen time at free safety. He was among the finalists for the Thorpe Award when he had four interceptions and seven pass deflections. Hudson is fourth on the Buffaloes' all-time interception list (12). Clavelle made all-Big Eight last season when he had 74 tackles, including seven for losses, and returned an interception 43 yards against Kansas State.

Florida end Kevin Carter is the fourth lineman on our first team. He had 59 tackles, 11½ of them for losses, including 6½ sacks. The active 6-6, 271-pounder also had three forced fumbles, one fumble recovery, and a blocked field goal.

Dana Howard of Illinois rounds out the first-team linebacking crew. He led the conference with 123 tackles and was named the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year.

Unheralded Southwestern Louisiana safety Orlanda Thomas tops off the first-team secondary. Thomas led the nation with nine interceptions last year as he helped SWL turn a 2-9 mark in 1992 into 8-3 last season. He was the Big West Conference co-Defensive Player of the Year and returned one of those interceptions for a touchdown.

The fourth returning consensus All-America is Auburn's booming punter, Terry Daniel. He averaged 42.6 per kick as a sophomore, then increased that to 46.9 (second in the nation) last year. The 6-1, 226-pound senior will be trying to improve on that number to win back-to-back All-America honors.

Honorable Mention

OFFENSE

Quarterback

Dave Barr, Sr., California
Darrell Bevell, Jr., Wisconsin
Todd Collins, Sr., Michigan
Wayne Cook, Sr., UCLA
Maurice DeShazo, Jr., Virginia Tech
Tommy Frazier, Jr., Nebraska
Jeff Handy, Sr., Missouri
Chad May, Sr., Kansas State
Mike McCoy, Sr., Utah
Jay McDonagh, Jr., Western Michigan
Shea Morenz, Soph., Texas
Danny O'Neil, Sr., Oregon
Jake Plummer, Soph., Arizona State
Kordell Stewart, Sr., Colorado
John Walsh, Jr., BYU
Eric Zeier, Sr., Georgia

Running Back

James Allen, Soph., Oklahoma
Mike Alstott, Jr., Purdue
Brandon Bennett, Sr., South Carolina
Ki-Jana Carter, Jr., Penn State
Ontiwaun Carter, Sr., Arizona
Ryan Christopherson, Sr., Wyoming
Anthony Comer, Sr., Boston College
Michael Davis, Sr., Mississippi State
Warrick Dunn, Soph., Florida State
Yoncey Edwards, Jr., Rice
Profail Grier, Jr., Utah State
Brandell Jackson, Jr., Baylor
Curtis Johnson, Jr., North Carolina
Leon Johnson, Jr., North Carolina
Oscar Malone, Jr., Arkansas
Curtis Martin, Sr., Pittsburgh
Rashaan Salaam, Jr., Colorado
Junior Smith, Sr., East Carolina
Rodney Thomas, Sr., Texas A&M
Marquis Williams, Soph., Arkansas St.
Moe Williams, Soph., Kentucky
Sherman Williams, Sr., Alabama
Terrell Willis, Soph., Rutgers
J.J. Young, Sr., Oregon State

Wide Receiver

Toby Cates, Sr., South Carolina
Mill Coleman, Sr., Michigan State
Lee DeRamus, Sr., Wisconsin
David Dunn, Sr., Fresno State
Bobby Engram, Jr., Penn State
Antonio Freeman, Sr., Virginia Tech
Joey Galloway, Sr., Ohio State
Eddie Goines, Sr., N.C. State
Hason Graham, Sr., Georgia
Mercury Hayes, Jr., Michigan
Jack Jackson, Jr., Florida

Dietrich Jells, Sr., Pittsburgh
Chris T. Jones, Sr., Miami
Jermaine Lewis, Jr., Maryland
Kevin Lockett, Soph., Kansas State
Derrick Mayes, Jr., Notre Dame
Brian Oliver, Sr., Ball State
Lovell Pinkney, Jr., Texas
Frank Sanders, Sr., Auburn
Mike Senior, Sr., Nevada
Michael Westbrook, Sr., Colorado
Billy Williams, Sr., Tennessee

Tight end

Kyle Brady, Sr., Penn State
Brian Collins, Jr., TCU
Christian Fauria, Sr., Colorado
James McKeehan, Sr., Texas A&M
Michael Roan, Sr., Wisconsin
Willy Tate, Sr., Oregon

Line

Mark Birchmeier, Sr., Michigan State
Barrett Brooks, Sr., Kansas State
Reuben Brown, Sr., Pittsburgh
Jeff Buckley, Jr., Stanford
Chris Cooley, Jr., Rice
Johnny Fienga, Sr., Oregon State
Chad Hammond, Jr., Colorado
Shane Hannah, Sr., Michigan State
Jeff Hartings, Jr., Penn State
Hessley Hempstead, Sr., Kansas
Jimmy Herndon, Jr., Houston
Jason James, Sr., Fresno State
Greg Landry, Jr., Boston College
Ryan Leahy, Sr., Notre Dame
Joe Marinaro, Sr., Michigan
Patrick McNeil, Sr., Florida State
Pat Meyer, Sr., Colorado State
Bubba Miller, Jr., Tennessee
David Millwee, Soph., Tulsa
Owen Neil, Jr., Vanderbilt
Jason Odom, Jr., Florida
Jonathon Ogden, Jr., UCLA
Andrew Peterson, Sr., Washington
Matt Purdy, Jr., Iowa
Cory Raymer, Sr., Wisconsin
Shannon Roubique, Jr., Auburn
Joe Rudolph, Sr., Wisconsin
Jon Runyan, Jr., Michigan
Jeff Smith, Jr., Tennessee
Warner Smith, Sr., Arizona
Brenden Stai, Sr., Nebraska
Jon Stevenson, Jr., Alabama
Jason Taylor, Jr., Auburn
Mark Zataveski, Sr., Notre Dame

Place-kicker

John Becksvort, Sr., Tennessee
Scott Blanton, Sr., Oklahoma
Judd Davis, Sr., Florida
Bill Manolopoulos, Jr., Indiana

Kanon Parkman, Jr., Georgia
Chris Richardson, Sr., Illinois
Lawson Vaughn, Jr., Oklahoma State
Nelson Welch, Sr., Clemson
Marshall Young, Jr., UTEP

Kick returner

Eddie Kennison, Soph., LSU
Demond Thompkins, Sr., UNLV

DEFENSE

Line

Marcus Adair, Jr., Arkansas
Buddy Billingsley, Soph., New Mexico
Terry Connealy, Sr., Nebraska
Luther Ellis, Sr., Utah
Le'Roi Glover, Jr., San Diego State
Brian Hamilton, Sr., Notre Dame
Kerry Hicks, Jr., Colorado
Jim Hoffman, Sr., Arizona
Cedric Jones, Jr., Oklahoma
Mike Mamula, Jr., Boston College
DeWayne Patterson, Sr., Washington State
Mike Peltan, Sr., Auburn
Troy Peterson, Sr., Iowa State
Pat Riley, Sr., Miami
Ed Rufus, Sr., Arkansas State
Brent Schieffer, Sr., Wyoming
Steve Strahan, Sr., Baylor
Mike Thompson, Sr., Wisconsin
Michael Tobias, Sr., Southern Miss
Willie Whitehead, Sr., Auburn

Linebacker

Ink Aleaga, Soph., Washington
Antonio Armstrong, Sr., Texas A&M
Jeremy Asher, Jr., Oregon
Chris Bordano, Soph., SMU
Stephen Boyd, Sr., Boston College
Ron Childs, Sr., Washington State
Gerald Collins, Sr., Vanderbilt
Damien Covington, Sr., N.C. State
Dwayne Curry, Soph., Mississippi State
Dan Downs, Sr., Montana
Matt Dyson, Sr., Michigan
Donnie Edwards, Jr., UCLA
Percell Gaskins, Jr., Kansas State
Dan Godfrey, Sr., San Jose State
Randall Godfrey, Jr., Georgia
Justin Goheen, Sr., Notre Dame
Anthony Harris, Jr., Auburn
Dwayne Harris, Sr., Nebraska
Johnny Harrison, Sr., Air Force
John Holecek, Sr., Illinois
Jarrett Irons, Soph., Michigan
Abdul Jackson, Sr., Mississippi
Kevin Johnson, Sr., Ball State
Ted Johnson, Sr., Colorado
Tim Jones, Sr., Clemson

Mark Libiano, Jr., East Carolina
Darryl Major, Sr., Missouri
Rohan Marley, Jr., Miami
Jason Miska, Jr., Auburn
Steve Morrison, Sr., Michigan
Vince Palko, Sr., Bowling Green
Ron Papazian, Sr., Fresno State
Simeon Rice, Jr., Illinois
Ed Stewart, Sr., Nebraska
Ben Talley, Sr., Tennessee
Zach Thomas, Jr., Texas Tech
Chad Yocum, Sr., Wisconsin

Back

William Bennett, Jr., Northwestern
Tony Blevins, Soph., Kansas
Alundis Brice, Sr., Mississippi
Devin Bush, Jr., Florida State
Larry Bush, Jr., Oklahoma
Chad Cota, Sr., Oregon
Darius Cunnigan, Sr., Pacific
Joey Ellis, Sr., Texas
William Ephraim, Sr., Oregon State
Carl Greenwood, Sr., UCLA
Russell Hairston, Sr., Washington
Walt Harris, Jr., Mississippi State
Andre Humphrey, Jr., Clemson
Torey Hunter, Sr., Washington State
Ken Irvin, Sr., Memphis
DeRon Jenkins, Jr., Tennessee
Tommy Johnson, Jr., Alabama
Joe Kamara, Sr., Boston College
Larry Kennedy, Sr., Florida
Carl Kidd, Sr., Arkansas
Chris Lewis, Sr., Baylor
Michael Lowery, Jr., Mississippi
Ray Mickens, Jr., Texas A&M
Barron Miles, Sr., Nebraska
Singor Mobley, Sr., Washington State
Greg Myers, Jr., Colorado State
Craig Newsome, Sr., Arizona State
C.J. Richardson, Sr., Miami
Jeff Russell, Sr., Pacific
Brandon Sanders, Jr., Arizona
Sam Shade, Sr., Alabama
Chris Shelling, Sr., Auburn
Walter Taylor, Sr., Ohio State
Rodney Watkins, Sr., SMU
Tony Watkins, Sr., South Carolina
Maurice Williams, Sr., Pittsburgh

Punter

Jim DeGuilio, Sr., Indiana
Rob Deignan, Jr., Purdue
Byrne Diehl, Jr., Alabama
Shayne Edge, Sr., Florida
Gary Layton, Jr., Miami (OH)
Kyle Pooler, Sr., Missouri
Todd Sauerbrun, Sr., West Virginia
Darren Schager, Sr., UCLA
Duane Vacek, Jr., Texas



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National Preview

Michigan, behind Heisman candidate Tyrone Wheatley, looks to leap to the top of the Big Ten this fall.



Florida Is No.1!

**Coach Steve Spurrier
(with quarterback Danny Wuerffel)
finally found a defense to stop the Gators'
high-powered offense—his own!**

by **RANDALL MELL** FORT LAUDERDALE SUN-SENTINEL

Florida State coach Bobby Bowden's crowning achievement could have been his last as a college football coach. He could have walked away after winning that elusive first national title last season. At 64, he could have retired after 28 years as a head coach saying he has done it all. When the Seminoles defeated Nebraska, 18-16, on New Year's night in the Orange Bowl, Bowden didn't feel like the triumph marked the end of any lifelong chase. He felt on top of his game, and he felt the strong desire to stay there just as long as he can.

"If you win one national title, you want two," Bowden said. "If you win two, you want

three. That's the way life is in this business. The only way to enjoy it is to retire and look back, and I don't intend to retire."

But did he consider it, even briefly, after reaching the pinnacle of his profession?

"No," Bowden snapped. "Never."

In fact, Bowden barely stopped to celebrate his first title. One of Bowden's assistants was on the telephone in a noisy, raucous locker room immediately following the Orange Bowl game, calling the top two high school recruits in Miami: Lamont Green, a linebacker, and Samari Rolle, a receiver. Though the celebration was on, there was work tied into it. At 8 o'clock the next morn-



Allen Kee

"A national championship was self-satisfying, but you move on," Bowden said. "I live day-to-day, year-to-year, and as long as I feel good, I want to continue. I'm not interested in retiring no matter how many championships we win. The way I've got it figured, after retirement there's only one big event left. And I'm not ready for that."

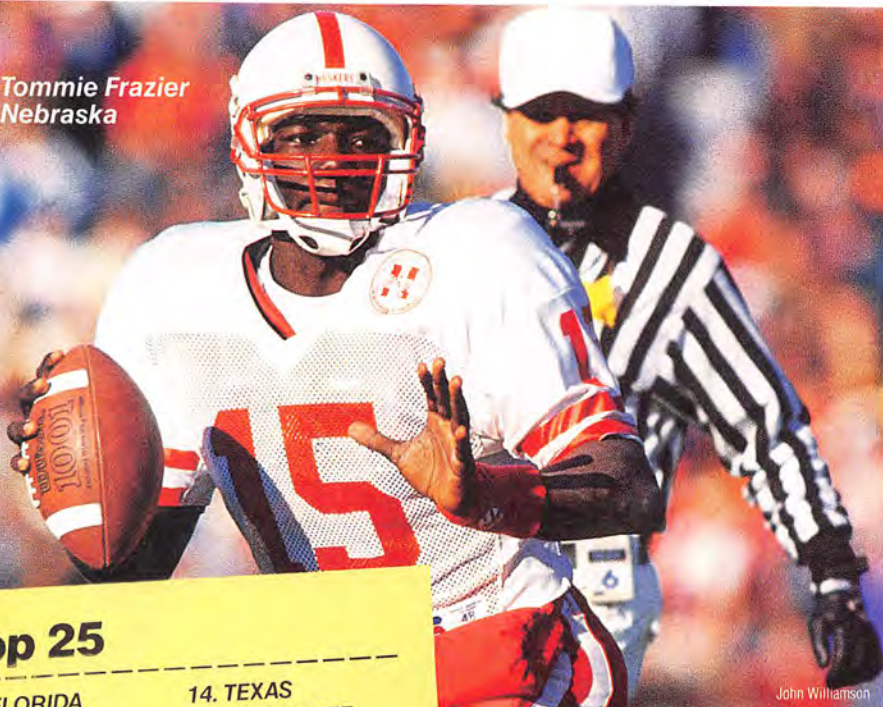
Bowden's Orange Bowl triumph gave him 239 victories as a head coach, moving him past Ohio State's Woody Hayes and into fifth-place on the career list. Only Paul "Bear" Bryant (323), Amos Alonzo Stagg (314), Glenn "Pop" Warner (313), and Joe Paterno (257) have won more. He's won 12 straight bowl games and 13 overall, a total surpassed only by Bryant and Paterno.

The Seminoles achieved a unique double a year ago, leading the nation in scoring offense and scoring defense, and no ACC rival came within 26 points of them. They could very well repeat, the loss of Ward notwithstanding. Tailback Warrick Dunn and wide receiver Kez McCorvey (74 catches) are back and the offensive line, perhaps the best in school history, returns four starters and two part-time starters, none of whom is a senior. Consensus All-America Derrick Brooks is a big-play performer at outside linebacker. After five games last fall he had personally outscored the FSU opposition, 18-14. He is the key to the stifling defense. In addition to eight league games, Florida State visits Miami and plays host to Notre Dame and Florida. If they come through that schedule unscathed, the Seminoles are certain to play for their second national championship on New Year's night.

Elsewhere in the Atlantic Coast Conference, North Carolina must replace 14 regulars, including eight from the defense that was second in the league and 21st nationally. Quarterback Jason Stanicek, who would have been the ACC Player of the Year if not for Ward, will do the unthinkable this fall and break Tar Heel legend Charlie "Choo Choo" Justice's longstanding record for total offense. Stanicek needs just six yards for 4,000. Rejoining him in the backfield are Curtis and Leon Johnson, who combined for 2,046 yards and 28 TDs last season.

Stanicek is not the only acclaimed quarterback in the ACC. Virginia features Symion Willis, who set a Cavalier mark with

Tommie Frazier
Nebraska



John Williamson

Top 25

1. FLORIDA
2. NEBRASKA
3. FLORIDA STATE
4. MICHIGAN
5. MIAMI
6. NOTRE DAME
7. ARIZONA
8. PENN STATE
9. COLORADO
10. AUBURN
11. SOUTHERN CAL
12. WISCONSIN
13. NORTH CAROLINA
14. TEXAS
15. TENNESSEE
16. ALABAMA
17. UCLA
18. OKLAHOMA
19. TEXAS A&M
20. VIRGINIA TECH
21. WASHINGTON
22. MICHIGAN STATE
23. VIRGINIA
24. OHIO STATE
25. CALIFORNIA

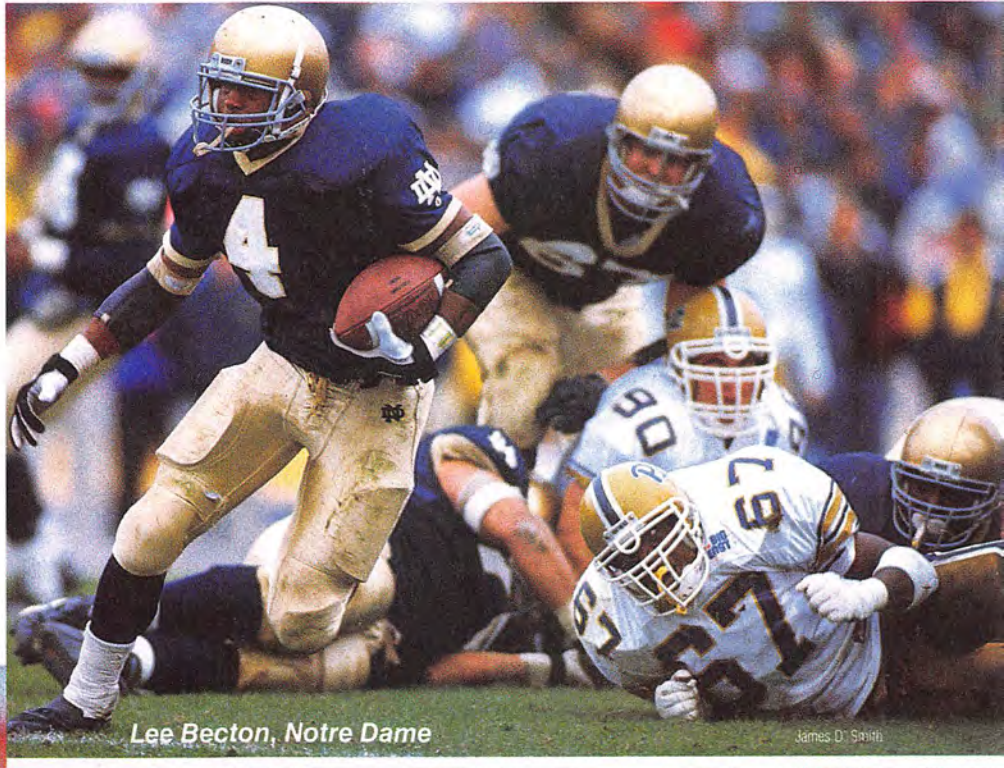
ing. Bowden was in Green's living room, chatting for two hours. He went from there to Rolle's house. "We hated to see him leave," Rolle's father, Harry, told the *Miami Herald*. "He charmed the pants off us."

Bowden nabbed those two recruits, an investment he hopes will lead to more FSU titles. One is great, but now the Tallahassee faithful wants to "repeat." The locals believe the 'Noles will definitely be better defensively this fall, and they might even be better overall despite the loss of Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Charlie Ward.

2,347 yards passing and 19 touchdowns in '93. Patrick Sapp returns at Clemson and Spence Fischer at Duke. But keep an eye on Maryland's Scott Milanovich, who completed 65 percent of his passes for 3,499 yards and 26 TDs.

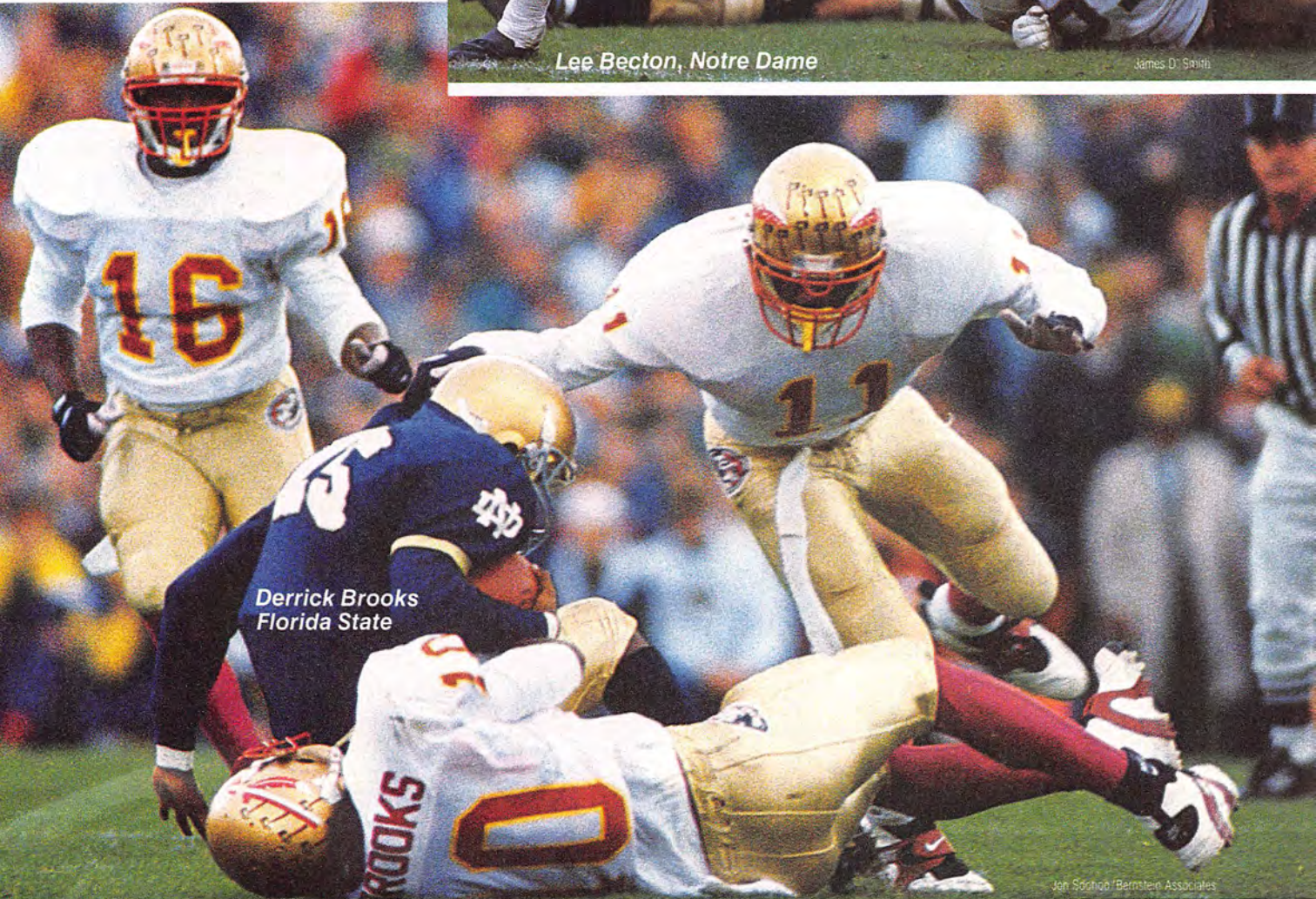
Since Steve Spurrier's arrival in Gainesville, Florida has won 23 of 24 games at home (the lone loss came last season to Florida State). But last spring Spurrier finally found a defense that could stop the Gators' high-powered offense: his own. He welcomes back 15 regulars, including eight on defense and both kickers, plus quarterbacks Danny Wuerffel and Terry Dean from the squad that defeated Alabama in the Southeastern Conference championship game and demolished previously unbeaten West Virginia in the Sugar Bowl. Thus the Sunshine State could retain the national championship even if FSU falters.

To advance to the SEC title game, Florida must first get by Tennessee, which lost quarterback Heath Shuler to the NFL and gained the highly regarded Peyton Manning. The Volunteers' offensive line returns intact and may be the best in the country. Also in the



Lee Becton, Notre Dame

James D. Smith



Derrick Brooks
Florida State

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National Preview

SEC East is Georgia, which has been a disappointment of late despite its talented recruits. The Bulldog offense begins with Z, as in Zeier, first name Eric. The senior quarterback and Heisman candidate threw for over 3,500 yards and 24 TDs last fall and holds 61 school and 11 conference records.

In the SEC West are Auburn, which returns 15 starters from an 11-0 team that enters the final year of an NCAA-imposed probation and is thus ineligible for the league title and bowl berth, and Alabama. The Crimson Tide will again be tough to score upon, but the offense has some unanswered questions. Namely, who will replace the four departed starters on the line plus receivers David Palmer and Kevin Lee, both second-round NFL draftees, and who will be the quarterback? Will it be Jay Barker, who missed all of spring drills because of reconstructive knee surgery, or Brian Burgdorf, the MVP of the Gator Bowl? The schedule allows time for the offense to develop, with five of the first six games at home.

Miami is the third team from Florida that will contend for the national championship. The Hurricanes proved to be human a year ago, slipping out of the top 10 for the first time since 1984 after a 9-3 mark that included a 29-0 loss to Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl, their first shutout in 169 games. Dennis Erickson, whose five-year record of 53-7 includes two national titles, returns 13 starters, including nine of offense, but he will make another title run with defense. Tackle Warren Sapp could be the best in the land at his position, and he and his teammates are eager to reassert their superiority.

The highlights of the three-year-old Big East's first season of round-robin play featured the success of West Virginia, Boston College, and Virginia Tech. The surprising Mountaineers proved that a team other than perennial power Miami could win the league title. But the bubble burst on their second undefeated season is six years with a blow-out loss to Florida in their Sugar Bowl. The Eagles beat Notre Dame in an unforgettable game in South Bend in November (in which their All-America tight end, Pete Mitchell, had 13 receptions) and finished the year with a 31-13 victory over Virginia in the Carquest Bowl. And the Hokies, 2-8-1 in 1992, could top last year's 9-3 record, which included a 45-20 triumph over Indiana in the Independence Bowl. Coach Frank Beamer claims to have "the best option quarterback in college football" in Maurice DeShazo, who accounted for over 2,200 yards in both passing and rushing in '93.

The richest crop of quarterbacks can be found in the West this fall. The early departure of the three biggest names in the WAC (Marshall Faulk, Trent Dilfer, and Darnay Scott) cleared the way for new stars. Brigham Young's John Walsh, Utah's Mike McCoy, and San Diego State's Tim Gutierrez each completed over 60 percent of his passes for more than 3,000 yards and 20 touchdowns last year. BYU (6-6) earned its fifth league title in a row and its 16th straight

bowl invitation, but had its string of 19 consecutive years above .500 snapped at 19. The Cougars had the No. 2 offense in the nation but the No. 104 defense.

Steve Stenstrom of Stanford had 3,627 passing yards and 27 touchdowns in '93. Rob Johnson of USC had 3,630 yards and 29 touchdowns with six interceptions. Across town at UCLA, Wayne Cook passed for over 2,000 yards and 18 TDs and set a Pac-10 record with just three interceptions. At Arizona State, the first pass thrown by Jake Plummer, one of two "pure" freshman quarterbacks to start in major college football last fall, gained 78 yards and a touchdown. California's Dave Barr was No. 2 in the nation with a 164.5 pass-efficiency rating, the best-ever in the Pac-10 and the 10th-highest mark in NCAA history. Yet the team to beat out west is Arizona, whose 10-2 record included a shutout of Miami in the Fiesta Bowl. The Wildcats do it with a dominating defense, led by end Tedy Bruschi and inside linebacker Sean Harris. Quarterback Dan White (9-1 as the starter) operates behind an all-senior line that returns intact.



Brent Moss
Wisconsin

The Big Ten went 23-10 in nonconference games last season and sent seven representatives bowling. The league remains so strong that Wisconsin, which defeated



Mike Adams, Texas

Susan Allen Camp

UCLA in the Rose Bowl and returns the bulk of its team, might struggle to finish in the top three. The Badgers, who feature the third-most efficient quarterback in I-A in Darrell Bevell and a 1-2 punch of running backs Brent Moss and Terrell Fletcher, won't be able to sneak up on opponents this time.

Michigan beat Ohio State and Penn State and still wasn't a factor in the conference race. The Wolverines have added incentive this year. For the first time since 1988, they are not the defending Big Ten champion. Led by tailback Tyrone Wheatley, they hope to avoid the injuries that plagued them and build on their season-ending momentum: victories over Ohio State (for the sixth year in a row) in the league finale and North Carolina State in the Hall of Fame Bowl.

Penn State quarterback Kerry Collins improved steadily after winning the starting job midway through last season. The Nittany Lions averaged 37.3 points in their final three wins, including a 31-13 decision over Tennessee in the Citrus Bowl. That was Joe Paterno's 15th bowl victory, tying him with Bear Bryant for the all-time lead. No. 16 could come on New Year's Day in Pasadena.

Notre Dame went 11-1 and pinned the only defeat on Florida State last November. But the Irish lost their chance for the national championship when Boston College's David Gordon booted a 41-yard game-winning field goal. Lou Holtz saw 10 of his players drafted by the NFL, so he simply reloaded. He expects to have Ron Powlus pulling the trigger on offense. The highly regarded quarterback was sidelined by a broken collarbone after he had won the starting job as a freshman last summer.

Big Eight defenses will be tested this fall because 59 offensive starters return in the conference. The line separating the first and second divisions is more clearly defined than it was a year ago. Oklahoma has the most talented running backs since its high-flying wishbone years, but the showdown on October 29 in Lincoln between Nebraska and Colorado should decide the league title and automatic bid to the Orange Bowl. Both teams have similar styles, with explosive quarterbacks directing wall-to-wall talent. Give a slight nod on offense to the Buffaloes but an overall edge to the Cornhuskers because of a unit that led the Big Eight in rushing, passing, and total defense.

The Big Eight will expand to 12 teams after the 1995 season with the addition of Texas, Texas A&M, Baylor, and Texas Tech. But for now, those four teams, plus Rice, Texas Christian, Southern Methodist, and Houston compete in the Southwest Conference. The NCAA did what no SWC team could accomplish in the last two years when it sent A&M to the sidelines for rules infractions. With the Aggies ineligible for the league title, Texas steps into the spotlight. Quarterback Shea Morenz, coming off a record-breaking freshman year, has perhaps the best receiving duo in school history in Mike Adams and Lovell Pinkney, who combined for 99 catches for 1,594 yards and 12 TDs in '93.



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by **TOMMY HICKS and RANDALL MELL**

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● Even though some of its top players—Tennessee quarterback Heath Shuler, Auburn running back James Bostic, Alabama's multi-purpose threat David Palmer—skipped to the NFL a year early; even though it has a team on NCAA probation and two more under investigation; and even though it had five bowl invitations and only four bowl qualifiers a year ago, this could be another big year for the Southeastern Conference. This is a conference accustomed to big years. It will be, without question, a year of movement within the league, those moves coming from several directions. It could also be the Year of the Gator.

The SEC championship game is moving from Birmingham's Legion Field to Atlanta's Georgia Dome, the site of the 1994 Super Bowl. Brad Scott has moved from the offensive coordinator's position for defending national champ Florida State to head coach at South Carolina. Auburn has moved from a team expected to struggle to the team with the longest winning streak (11 games) in Division I-A, led by a coach who has never lost a Division I-A game. It is a year in which Florida is expected to be a strong contender to win its second consecutive league crown and make a run at the national title. It is a year that could find schools such as Arkansas, South Carolina, and Kentucky making advancement in their programs.

This should be the year of the quarterback in the SEC, with several top candidates in the position and some newcomers of merit. Georgia's Eric Zeier is considered a Heisman Trophy candidate, Steve Taneyhill of South Carolina has received plenty of attention, and Florida has two quarterbacks of merit—Terry Dean and Danny Wuerffel. Alabama has three quarterbacks seeking the starting role—Jay Barker is coming of knee surgery, Brian Burgdorf was the MVP of the Gator Bowl, and Freddie Kitchens had shoulder surgery in the spring. Auburn may be led by redshirt freshman Dameyune Craig or two-year backup Patrick Nix. Tennessee snared prep sensation Peyton Manning and LSU, which has the improved Jamie Howard, signed the highly sought-after Josh Booty. Ole Miss coaches are raving about junior college transfer Josh Nelson, who was named the No. 1 quarterback a week into spring drills and caused Lawrence Adams, the leading contender, to change positions.

Florida is expected to win the East Division and claim its second straight SEC title,

with Tennessee giving chase. Georgia is the No. 3 pick in the East, followed by Kentucky, South Carolina, and Vanderbilt. Auburn can't win the SEC title or officially claim the West Division crown, but it is expected to have the division's best record, with a strong push from in-state rival Alabama. Arkansas is the No. 3 pick in the West, ahead of LSU, Mississippi State, and Ole Miss.

At least four teams—Florida, Tennessee, Auburn, and Alabama—are expected to garner top 25 consideration, with others possibly working into the mix. It is possible the SEC championship game will feature the same matchup it has had the previous two seasons: Alabama vs. Florida. Alabama won the first game en route to winning the national championship. Florida won last year's game and went on to defeat previously unbeaten West Virginia in the Sugar Bowl.

Most of the preseason hype belongs to the Gators, who return 15 starters, including eight on defense and both kicking specialists. Since Steve Spurrier's arrival in Gainesville, Florida has lost only one game in The Swamp (last year's meeting with eventual national champ Florida State) and has been an offensive powerhouse. This fall, with a new defensive alignment and the eight returning starters, the Gators may have found the right mix to chase the national title.

1994 all-deep south team

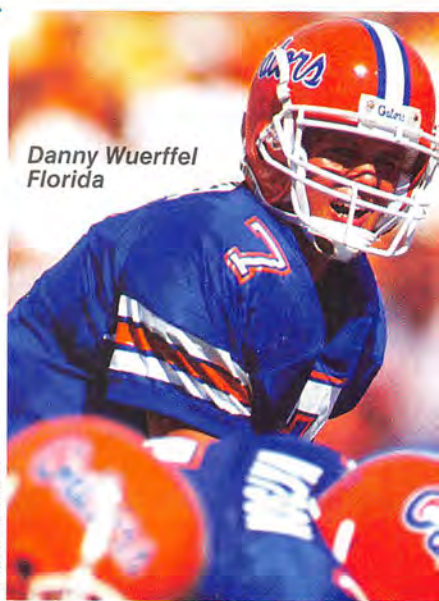
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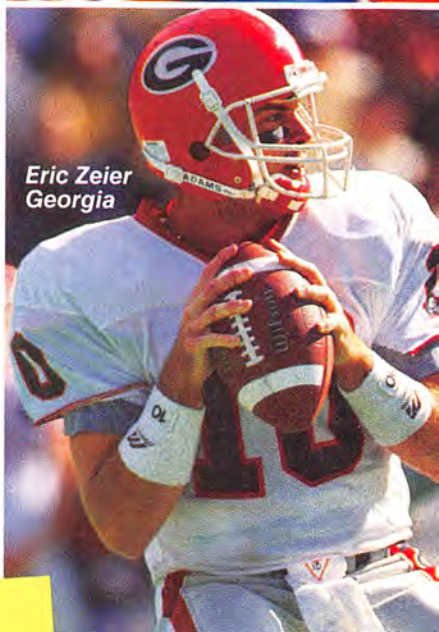
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Linebacker . . . Randall Godfrey . . . JR . . . Georgia
Linebacker . . . Abdul Jackson . . . SR . . . Mississippi
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Back . . . Calvin Jackson . . . JR . . . Auburn
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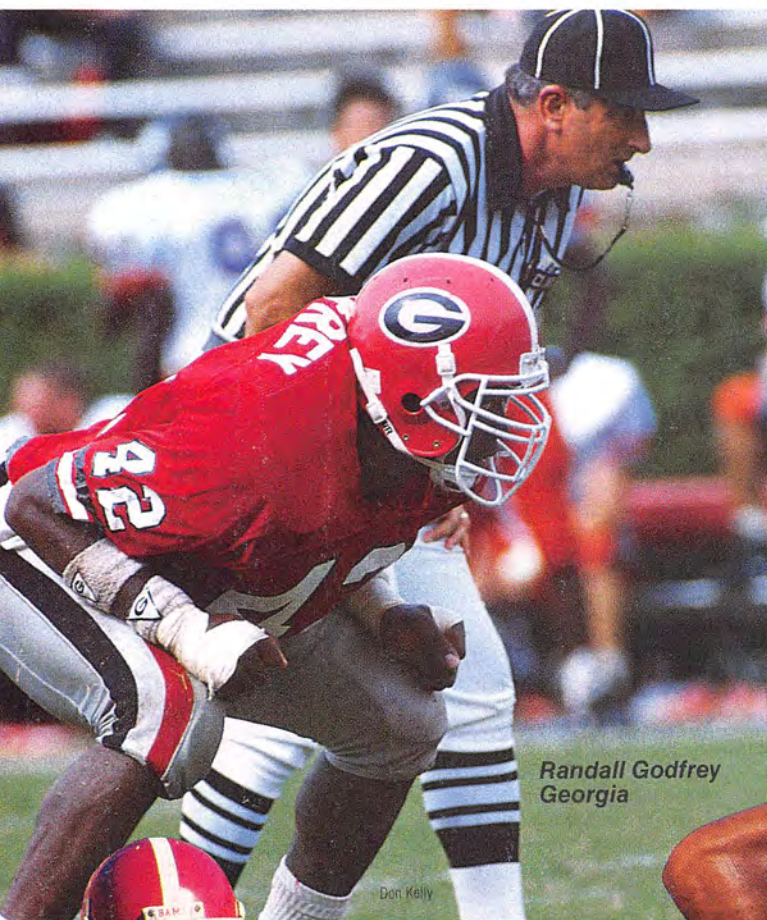


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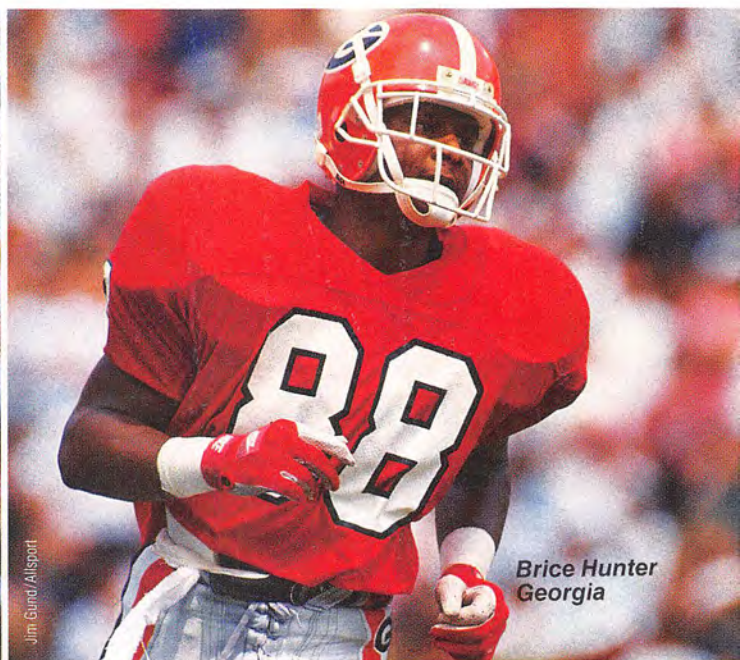
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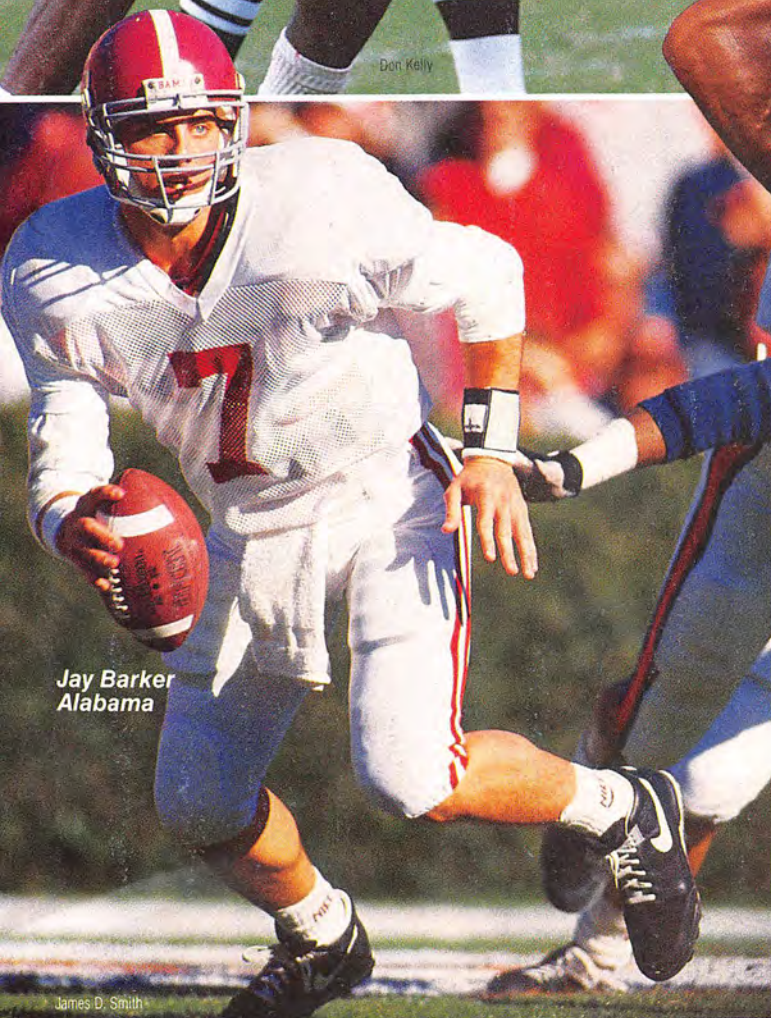
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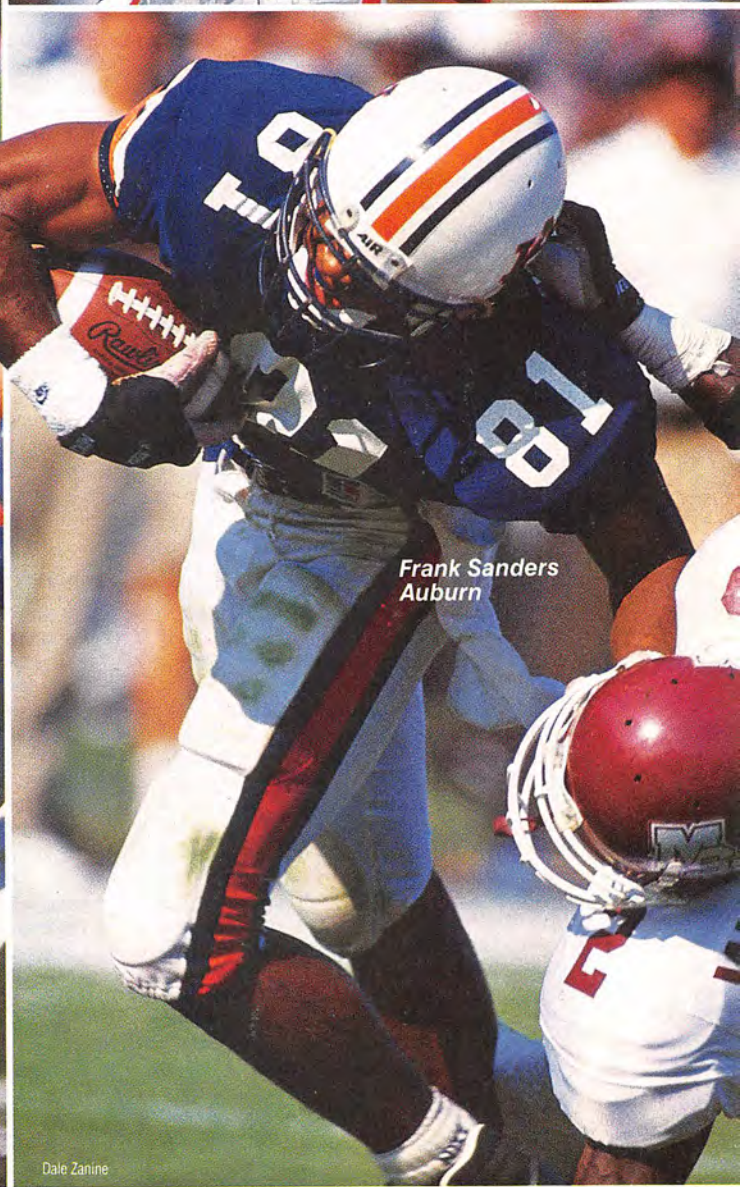
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Frank Sanders
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Dale Zanine

midwest

by **ED SHERMAN** CHICAGO TRIBUNE

● In 1992, the Big Ten was a joke. Only three teams qualified for bowl games, and even legendary coach Bo Schembechler had to admit that he never had seen the conference look worse. It wasn't the Big Ten, it was the Big Tin.

Last year, it was the complete opposite. The Big Ten became the Big Ton, with seven teams going to bowl games, the most of any conference. The league then went 4-3 in bowl play, including Wisconsin's victory over UCLA in the Rose Bowl. Suddenly, the Big Ten had gone from worst to best. "I think they're one of the top leagues," said ESPN's Lee Corso.

The Big Ten will be looking to make an even stronger statement in 1994. This could be a breakthrough season for few leagues return such an impressive array of talent. Michigan running back Tyrone Wheatley could be the leading Heisman Trophy candidate, but he'll get competition within his own conference from Wisconsin's Brent Moss, Ohio State's Joey Galloway, and Penn State's Bobby Engram. Top defensive players such as linebackers Dana Howard of Illinois, Lorenzo Styles of Ohio State, and Brian Gelzheiser of Penn State also are back. The Big Ten is so strong that Wisconsin, despite returning the bulk of its team, might have a struggle to finish in the top 3. The league could have three teams in the preseason top 10 national poll.

Can one or two years make such a difference? Apparently so. Last season, the Big Ten went 23-10 in nonconference play, its best in many years. That mark, coupled with the bowl success, was sweet redemption for the conference. "A lot of people said we had a down year in 1992," said Big Ten commissioner Jim Delany. "A lot of people are saying we were very good last year. The reality probably is somewhere in between."

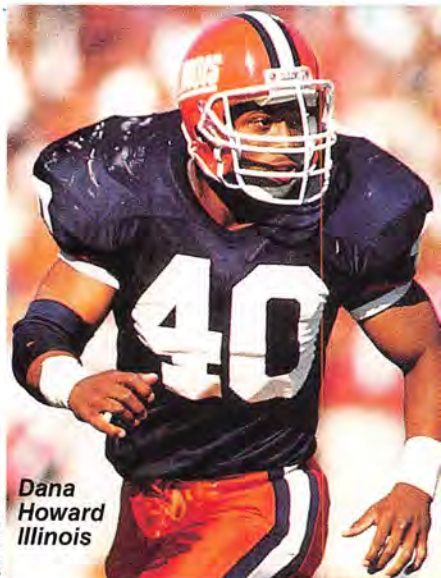
The entrance of Citrus Bowl winner Penn State helped strengthen the conference, but the Nittany Lions weren't alone. Wisconsin was the league's best comeback story, but other teams, such as Michigan State and Indiana, also rebounded. The true barometer was Michigan. A preseason conference favorite, the Wolverines beat Ohio State and Penn State, but still weren't a factor in the conference race. "That shows the parity in the league," Delany said. "It shows there's a lot of life in the Big Ten."

A couple of things happened to spur the turnaround. Last year, some of its young

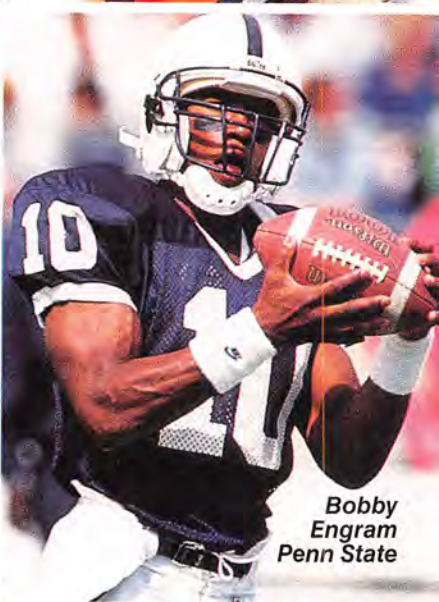
players grew up. "It was just a matter of some of these young players maturing," said Northwestern coach Gary Barnett. Also, for the first time, speed became a key word in the Big Ten's vocabulary. The conference now is starting to turn out quick, exciting big-play performers. "The recruiting got better," said Illinois coach Lou Tepper. "It started three of four years ago. The problem is, it doesn't show for a few years. Those kids are starting to step up now."

Now the Big Ten has to take it to the next level. This could be the year. The league race should be very exciting. Michigan once again appears to be the favorite, assuming it can avoid the injuries that plagued it at times last year. Penn State, though, will be right on the Wolverines' heels, along with Wisconsin. This is a crucial year for Ohio State coach John Cooper, who must deliver or else. Former Cooper assistant, Purdue coach Jim Colletto, also is under the gun. Illinois could be a dark horse. The Illini have the players, but they ran into inconsistency last fall. Michigan State also could make a run behind a strong offensive line.

As for Notre Dame, the Irish will pin their hopes on quarterback Ron Powlus. If he's half as good as advertised, he could be one of the best players ever in South Bend



Dana Howard
Illinois



Bobby Engram
Penn State

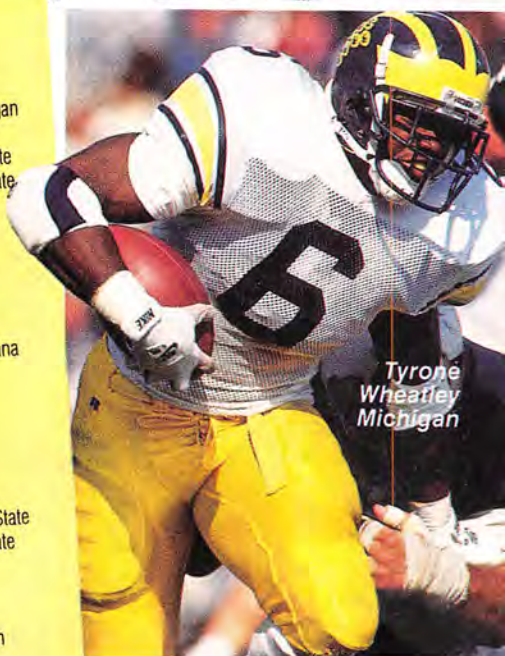
1994 all-midwest team

offense

Quarterback... Todd Collins... SR... Michigan
Running back... Tyrone Wheatley... SR... Michigan
Running back... Brent Moss... SR... Wisconsin
Wide receiver... Joey Galloway... SR... Ohio State
Wide receiver... Bobby Engram... JR... Penn State
Tight end... Kyle Brady... SR... Penn State
Line... Korey Stringer... JR... Ohio State
Line... Joe Rudolph... SR... Wisconsin
Line... Shane Hannah... SR... Michigan State
Line... Cory Rayment... SR... Wisconsin
Line... Ryan Leahy... SR... Notre Dame
Place-kicker... Bill Manolopoulos... JR... Indiana

defense

Line... Brian Hamilton... SR... Notre Dame
Line... Oliver Gibson... SR... Notre Dame
Line... Mike Thompson... SR... Wisconsin
Linebacker... John Holecek... SR... Illinois
Linebacker... Dana Howard... SR... Illinois
Linebacker... Brian Gelzheiser... SR... Penn State
Linebacker... Lorenzo Styles... JR... Ohio State
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Back... William Bennett... JR... Northwestern
Punter... Jim DiGiulio... SR... Indiana



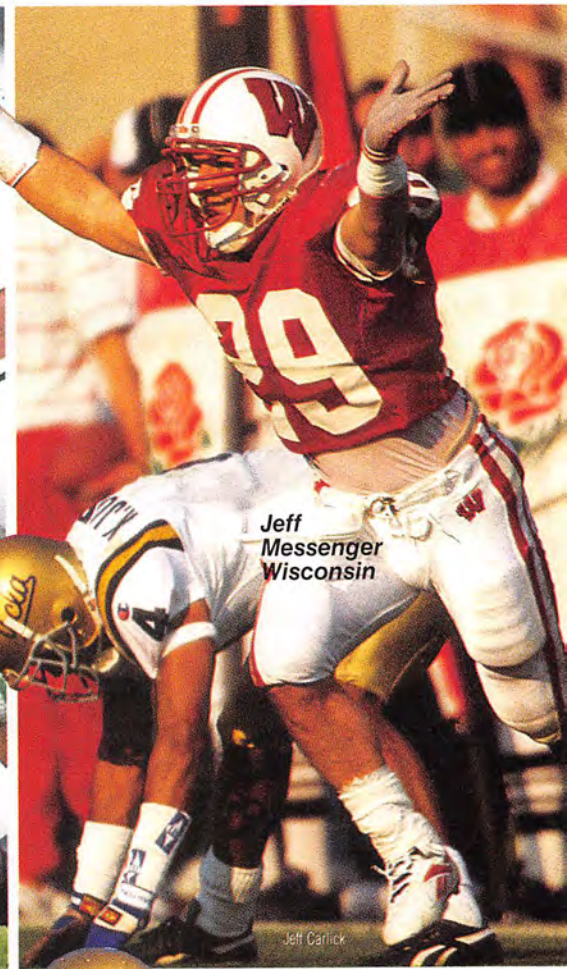
Tyrone Wheatley
Michigan

Doug Pensinger/Allsport
STREET AND SMITH'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL



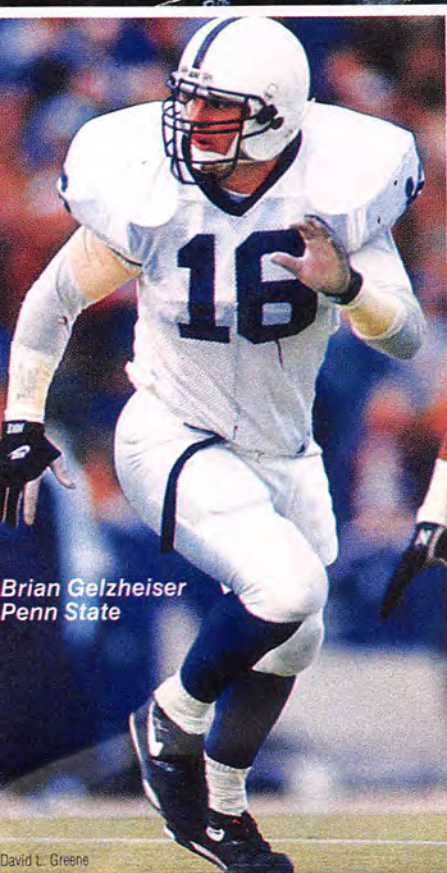
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Jeff Carlick



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David L. Greene



Brent Moss
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big eight

by **BILL CONNORS** *TULSA WORLD*

● Nebraska and Colorado should wage a battle this year for the Big Eight championship reminiscent of the flaming Oklahoma-Nebraska epics of the 1970s and '80s. Both teams are loaded on offense and feature outstanding quarterbacks. The winner of their showdown on October 29 at Nebraska should not only collect an automatic bid to the Orange Bowl, but contend for the national championship that the Cornhuskers narrowly lost to Florida State last year.

The edge goes to Nebraska to win its fourth straight title, because Tom Osborne's teams always prevail when he has an experienced quarterback. Junior Tommie Frazier, who many thought outplayed Heisman Trophy recipient Charlie Ward in the Orange Bowl, is ready to become a star in his third year as the starter. Also, it appears Nebraska, for a change, has an edge on defense. The latter is critical. With every Big Eight team except Oklahoma returning its quarterback and a total of 59 offensive starters in the conference back, 1994 looms as a year that will tax defenses.

Colorado's makeup closely resembles Nebraska's. Quarterback Kordell Stewart starts for the third year and already owns most of the school's passing records. The Buffs have more potential all-stars on offense than Nebraska and their defense is just slightly below the Cornhuskers' level.

Oklahoma could give the conference a third top 10 possibility. The Sooners have their best running backs since their high-flying wishbone years. Their defense, surprisingly outstanding in late season and in a blowout of Texas Tech in the Sun Bowl, ranks with Colorado's. The key to any chance the Sooners have of advancing higher than third is junior college quarterback Garrick McGee.

The line separating the big three of Nebraska, Colorado, and Oklahoma from the second division is more clearly defined this year. The balance in the Big Eight last fall was such that Nebraska had a harrowing time defeating last-place Oklahoma State, Kansas State, Kansas, and Oklahoma, in addition to Colorado. The Cornhuskers might very well have gone 2-5. In defense of their offense, Frazier and tailback Calvin Jones were handicapped by injuries during most of those struggling games. A fit Frazier in the Orange Bowl gave a clearer picture of Nebraska's potential for this season. With

Lawrence Phillips a sleek replacement for Jones, who skipped a chance to win his fourth scoring title and third rushing title by going to the NFL, Nebraska should win by representative scores this year. Osborne's faith in Nebraska's capability was illustrated when he agreed to play West Virginia in the Kickoff Classic. He approves of such games only when he thinks his team is a national contender.

Kansas State, last year's big surprise and winner of its first bowl game (over Wyoming in the Copper), figures to reach the first division again if quarterback Chad May, who led the conference in passing yards and touchdowns, recovers from a knee injury. May is ranked third among senior quarterbacks on some preseason NFL charts.

Kansas appears to be best of the rest, primarily because of tailback Charles Henley. Former Southern Cal coach Larry Smith will try to break Missouri out of a decade of losing. Iowa State could be the surprise of the second division. Oklahoma State seems doomed to his third winless conference record in four years.

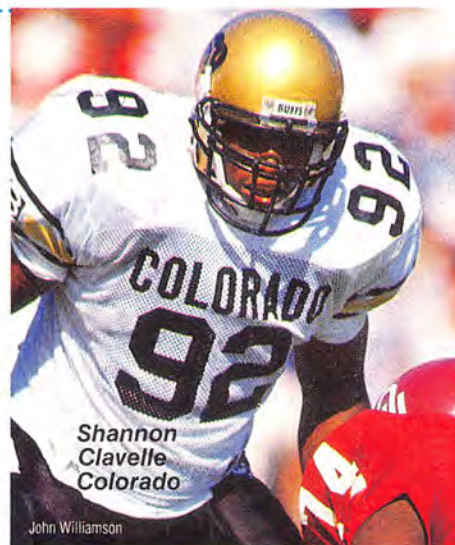
1994 all-big eight team

offense

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Running back . . . Charles Henley . . . SO . . . Kansas
Running back . . . Rashaan Salaam . . . JR . . . Colorado
Wide receiver . . . Kevin Lockett . . . SO . . . Kansas State
Wide receiver . . . Michael Westbrook . . . SR . . . Colorado
Tight end . . . Christian Fauria . . . SR . . . Colorado
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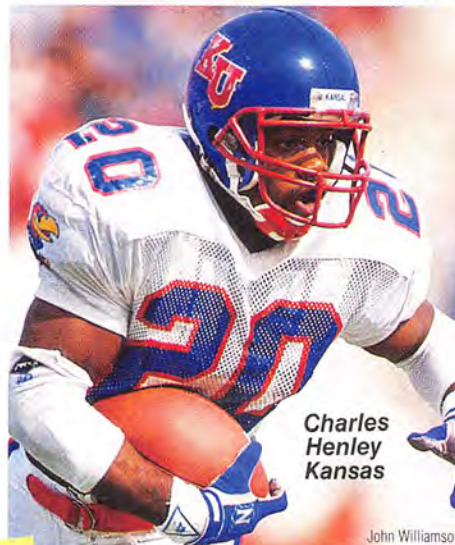
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Line . . . Shannon Clavelle . . . JR . . . Colorado
End . . . Dwayne Harris . . . JR . . . Nebraska
Linebacker . . . Ed Stewart . . . SR . . . Nebraska
Linebacker . . . Darryl Major . . . SR . . . Missouri
Linebacker . . . Mario Freeman . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
Linebacker . . . Ted Johnson . . . SR . . . Colorado
Back . . . Chris Hudson . . . SR . . . Colorado
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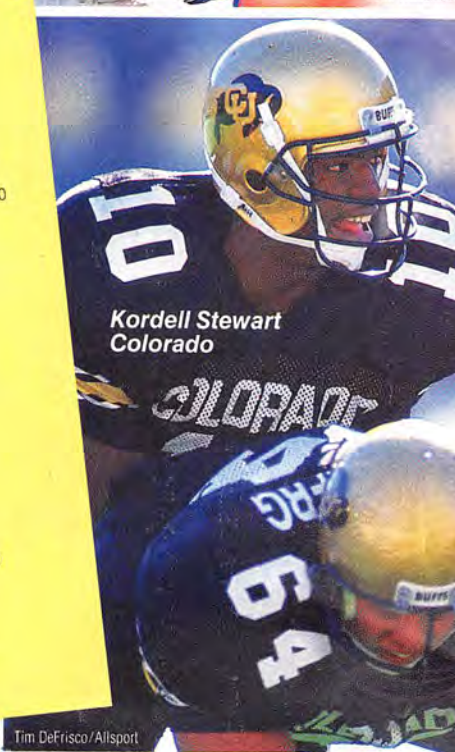
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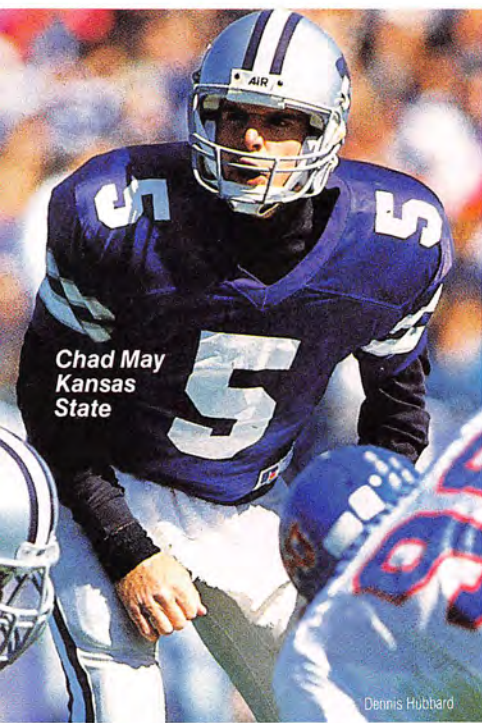
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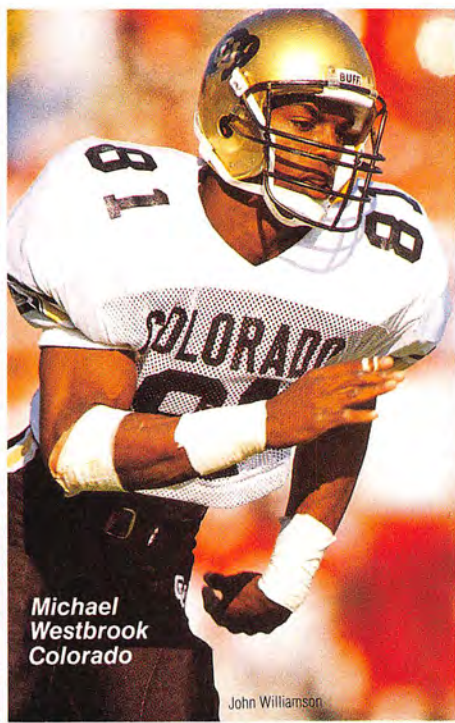
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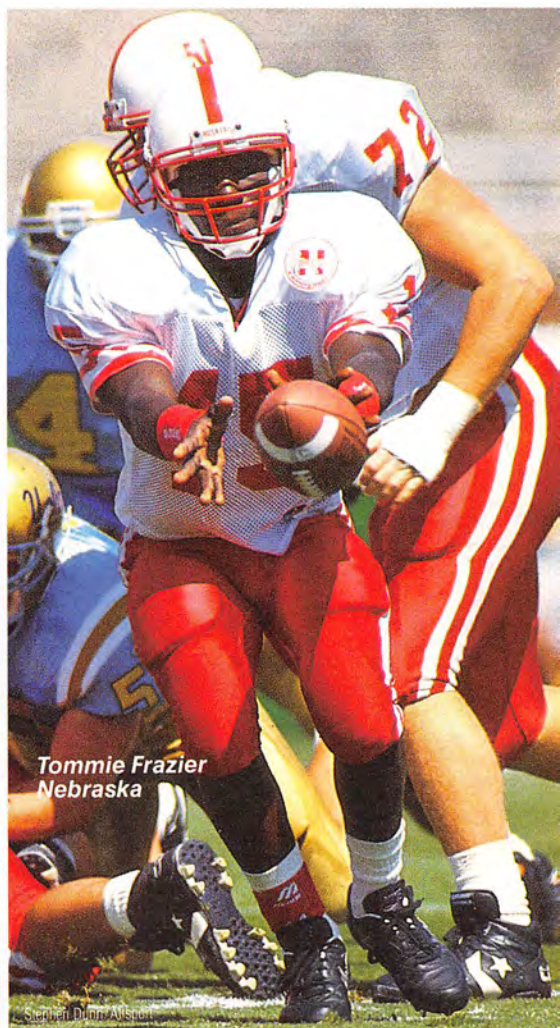
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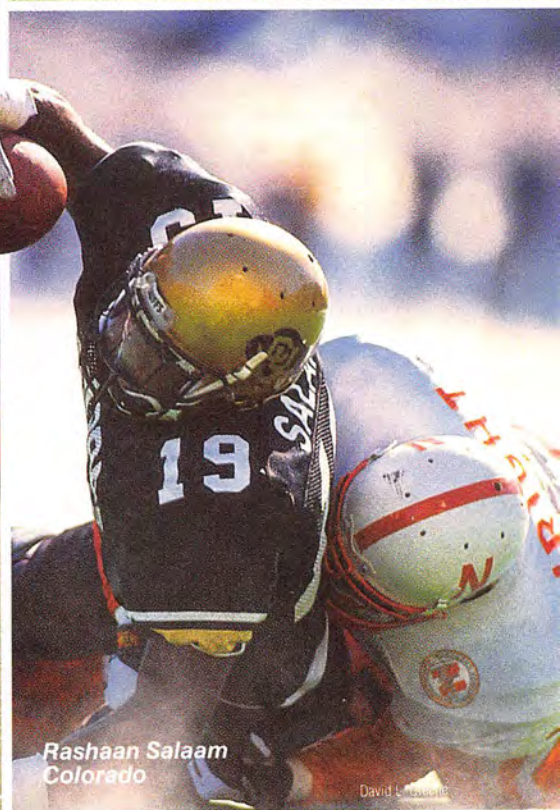
Tommie Frazier
Nebraska

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Rashaan Salaam
Colorado

David L. Johnson

west

by DWIGHT CHAPIN SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER

● You may not be able to tell the top quarterbacks in the Pac-10 without a scorecard this season. Almost every team seems to have one. It may be the richest crop in Pac-10 history, and that's saying something for a conference that has turned out three Heisman Trophy winners at the position: Oregon State's Terry Baker, UCLA's Gary Beban, and Stanford's Jim Plunkett. There is Heisman Trophy and All-America talk all over the place again in the West. USC is touting its senior quarterback, Rob Johnson. Stanford is doing the same thing for senior Steve Stenstrom. Cal is trumpeting senior Dave Barr.

"Johnson has a chance to develop into a great player," USC coach John Robinson said. "Sure, he is a leading candidate for the Heisman. But more important to our team, he can be the total quarterback by giving us the winning edge that great players in that position can provide." Last season, Johnson, an all-Pac-10 first-team selection, completed 308 of 449 passes for 3,630 yards and 29 touchdowns, and was intercepted just six times. In the process, he set 10 Pac-10 and school records. "His accuracy is phenomenal and his interception rate is amazing," said Robinson. "If he can maintain those skills and improve his play, we're looking at a special player."

Stanford coach Bill Walsh, who has worked with a top quarterback or two, feels much the same way about Stenstrom. "Steve has proven to be one of the very best in college football," Walsh said. "He is mastering our system and with the support of his teammates, he could become the best quarterback in the nation." In 1993, Stenstrom set four school passing marks, tied a fifth, and established three conference records. He completed 300 of 455 passes for 3,627 yards and 27 TDs.

Across San Francisco Bay, Cal's Barr was compiling some equally stunning numbers, despite a lack of fanfare. All Barr did was have the 10th-best passing season in NCAA history with a 164.5 efficiency mark, which ranked him No. 2 for the year behind Fresno State's Trent Dilfer. It was the best ever in the Pac-10. Barr completed 208 of 303 passes for 2,885 yards and 24 touchdowns. "He's

the complete package," Cal coach Keith Gilbertson said. "Dave has proven he can win for us with his arm, his intelligence, and his savvy with the game on the line. He's as good as there is in college football this year. No question."

But the lofty talk in the Pac-10 is not just about quarterbacks. UCLA wide receiver J.J. Stokes unquestionably is a leading Heisman Trophy candidate. He was seventh in the voting last year, the highest of any returning player. A unanimous All-America, Stokes has the ability to dominate a game.

Then there is Washington's senior tailback Napoleon Kaufman, another Heisman candidate. "He's like a rocket," UCLA coach Terry Donahue said. "Every time he touches the ball, you're nervous because he's coming at you with so much speed."

With talent like that around, it could well be a season to remember in the Pac-10.

1994 all-west team

offense

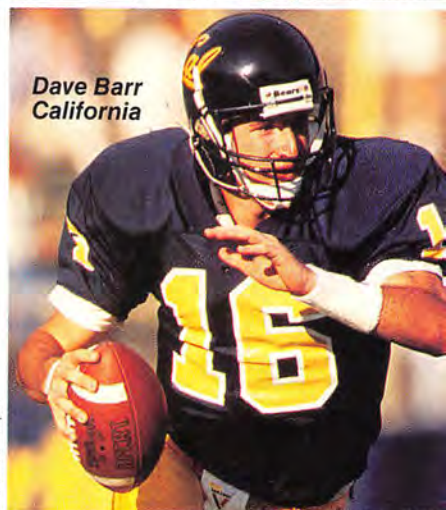
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Wide receiver . . . Justin Armour . . . SR . . . Stanford
Tight end . . . Mark Bruener . . . SR . . . Washington
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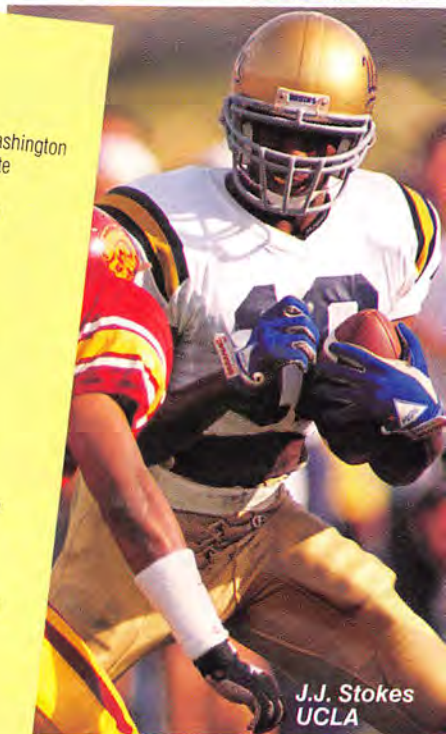
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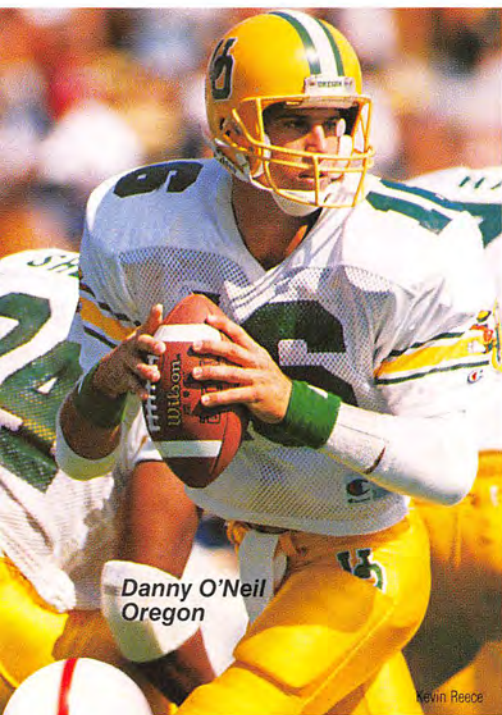


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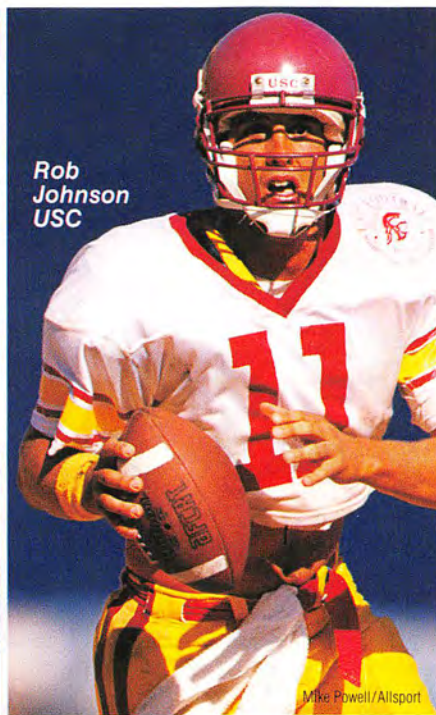
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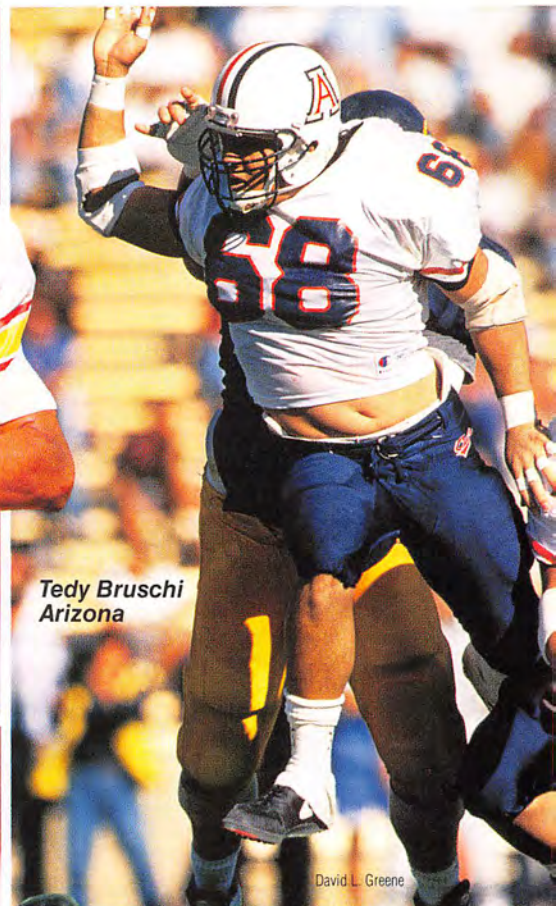
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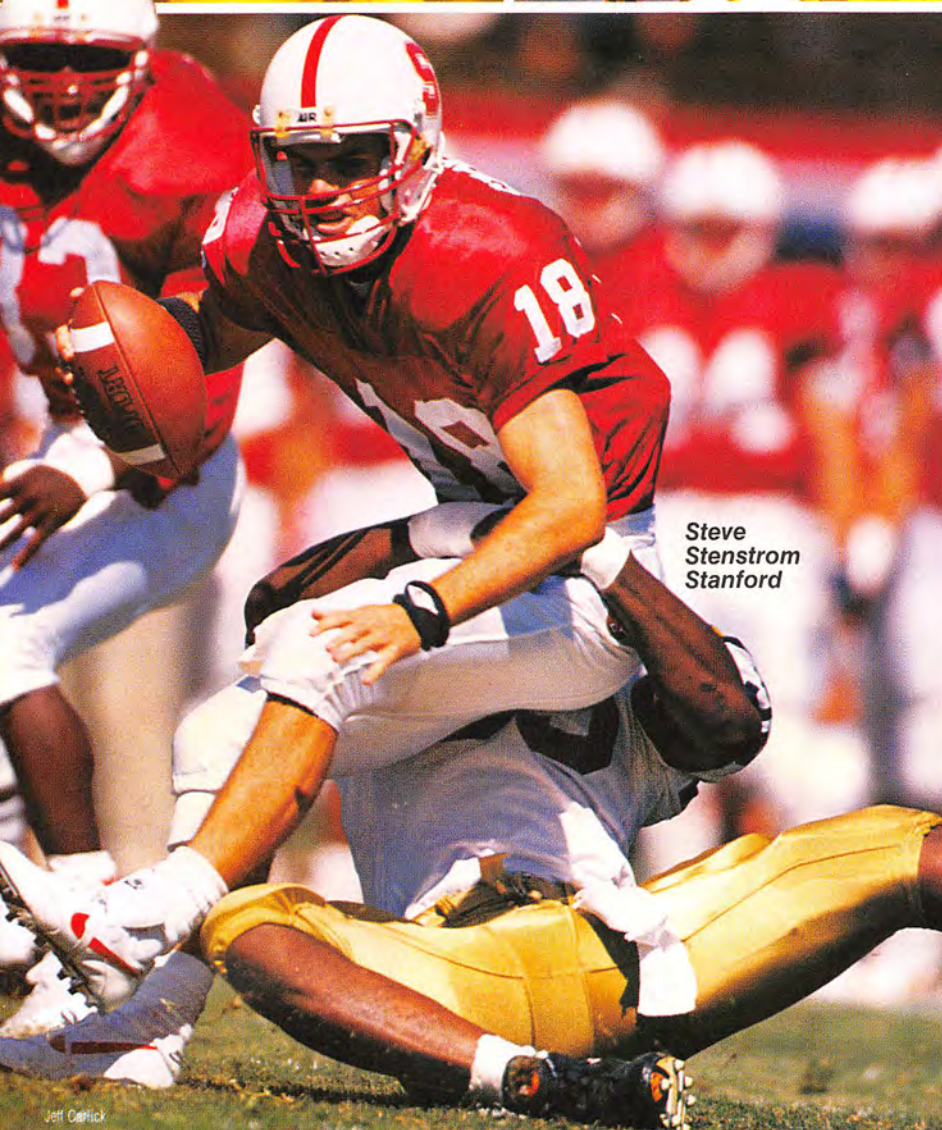
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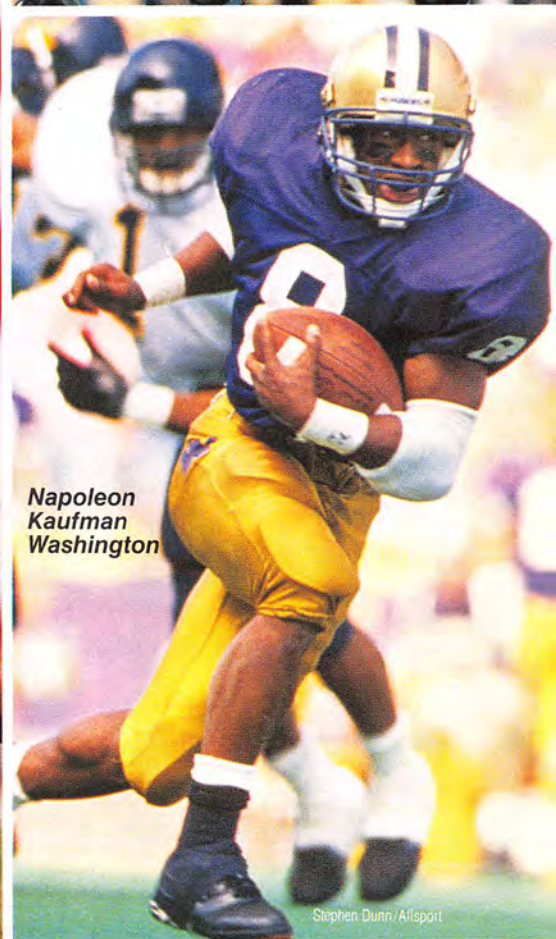
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Stanford

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Napoleon Kaufman
Washington

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atlantic coast

by **BOB SPEAR** THE (COLUMBIA) STATE

When Florida State was admitted into the Atlantic Coast Conference, detractors predicted that the league would become college football's version of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. The Seminoles and the Eight Pretenders, one cynic wrote. The coaches disagreed. They vowed that Florida State's high-powered program would find tough sledding in a conference best known for its basketball.

The coaches were wrong. The competition has developed into a more one-sided affair than the biggest critics could imagine. Indeed, coach Bobby Bowden's powerhouse has seldom been challenged in 16 league games, winning them all by an overwhelming 679-173 margin. The average score is 42.4-10.8, hardly the basis of competition. Bowden wows opponents with offense and crushes them with defense. Rivals cannot match his team's speed, which enabled the Seminoles to pull off a remarkable double in 1993: They led the nation in scoring offense and scoring defense.

They can't do that again, can they? Not likely. All-everything quarterback Charlie Ward is gone and the "fast-break" offense that rewrote the ACC record book en route to the Seminoles' first national championship won't be so potent. But the defense remains wicked and the offensive line could be the school's best ever. Ward's backup, junior Danny Kanell, merely threw for 341 yards and five touchdowns in his only start last season. Both Clemson and Georgia Tech gave Florida State fits in 1992, but no league team played the Seminoles closer than 26 points a year ago. Bowden talks of the ACC being much stronger in 1994, and perhaps he is right. But the improvement will come from the lower tier of teams. The chief challengers, North Carolina and Virginia, will be breaking in new offensive lines, hardly the way to overhaul the Seminoles.

"It's going to be tougher and tougher to keep that ACC string alive," Bowden said. Don't count on the streak ending this year. The scores might be closer, which will be a step in the right direction. And the other teams will be more competitive—among themselves. But the ACC champion will remain the same.

1994 all-atlantic coast team

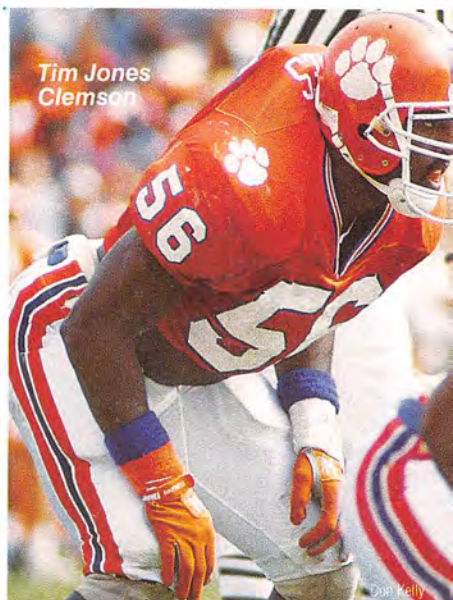
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Wide receiver . . . Eddie Goines . . . SR . . . N.C. State
Tight end . . . Greg DeLong . . . SR . . . North Carolina
Tackle . . . Steve Ingram . . . SR . . . Maryland
Tackle . . . Matt Williams . . . SR . . . Duke
Guard . . . Lewis Tyre . . . JR . . . Florida State
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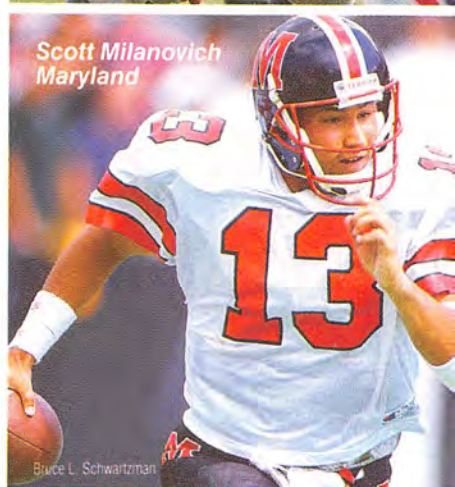
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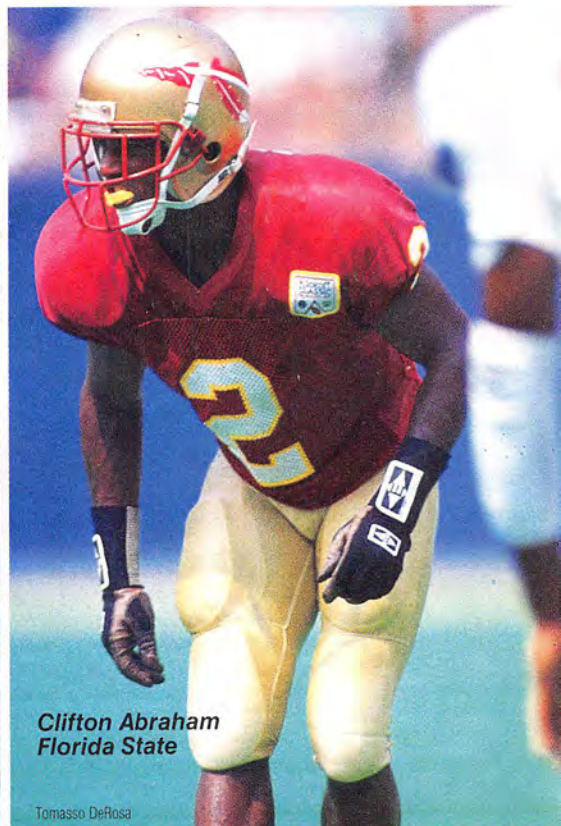
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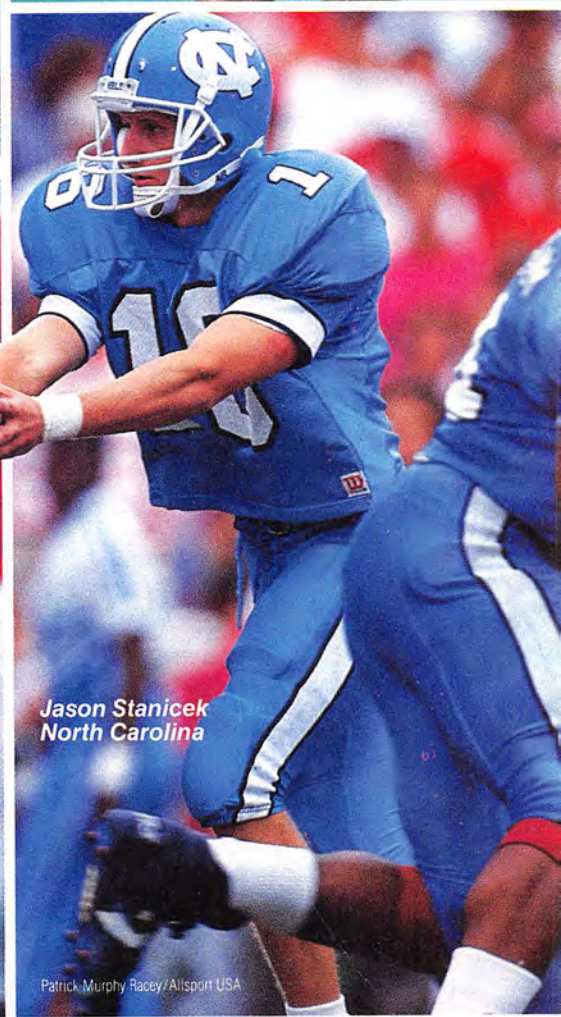
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Eddie Goines
North Carolina State

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Jason Stanicek
North Carolina

Patrick Murphy Racey/Allsport USA

southwest

by IVY McLEMORE

One can only wonder how such Southwest Conference icons as Jess Neely, D.X. Bible, and Matty Bell would have greeted the news. Torn apart by a series of NCAA scandals that left few member schools unscathed and rendered somewhat of a geographic anachronism by current television marketing standards, the SWC will begin its next-to-last farewell tour this fall. Shortly after Texas, Texas A&M, Baylor, and Texas Tech agreed to join an expanded Big Eight, Rice, Texas Christian, and Southern Methodist Conference in a series of moves that left only Houston searching for a new conference affiliation. Southwest Conference football will cease to exist after the 1995 season, ending a long, colorful history.

Although the conference officially has entered lame-duck status, it will crown a new champion this fall. The NCAA accomplished a feat no other SWC member has been able to achieve the last two years when it sent Texas A&M to the sidelines as a result of rules violations. The Aggies will not be eligible for the conference championship and have been banned from a bowl appearance in 1994, creating a mad scramble for the annual Cotton Bowl berth that is awarded to the eventual SWC winner.

Texas, Baylor, and Texas Tech appear to be the have the best chance of ending A&M's stranglehold. The Longhorns have had two seasons to learn coach John Mackovic's system and might be ready to reach a level of play Texas fans have only dreamed about in recent years. A big-play offense and a consistent defense once again could become trademarks on the Forty Acres this fall. Baylor also should make strides with the return of all 11 starters on defense. The Bears' chances of receiving a bowl bid could rest on how much improvement is made on offense. Texas Tech's situation resembles that of the Bears, as both teams must find new quarterbacks. The Red Raiders would like nothing better than to win their first SWC title before the league disbands.

Although the Aggies will be little more than spoilers in this year's conference race,

they have more than adequate talent to extend their 22-game SWC winning streak. A&M might lack the overpowering running game and punishing defense that have become synonymous with its football program over the last decade, but the Aggies have ample firepower to determine the eventual conference champ.

The only coaching change in the SWC during the past year occurred at Rice, where Ken Hatfield returns to the conference to take over an Owls team that had posted back-to-back winning seasons under Fred Goldsmith. Rice might contend for a bowl bid if the team's new option offense becomes an instant hit.

The most hotly contested race involving Houston, TCU, and SMU likely will be to see which teams can avoid a last-place finish. All three programs will be striving to make considerable progress after combining to yield an average of 29 points per game a year ago. Whatever happens this fall, the SWC's penultimate farewell tour should be an interesting one.

1994 all-southwest team

offense

Quarterback...Shea Morenz...SO...Texas
Running back...Rodney Thomas...SR...Texas A&M
Running back...Leeland McElroy...SO...Texas A&M
Tight end...Brian Collins...JR...TCU
Wide receiver...Lovell Pinkney...JR...Texas
Wide receiver...Michael Adams...JR...Texas
Tackle...Blake Brockermeyer...JR...Texas
Tackle...Jimmy Herndon...JR...Houston
Guard...Will Davidson...SR...Baylor
Guard...Chris Cooley...JR...Rice
Center...Scott Fitzgerald...SR...Texas Tech

defense

Line...Steve Strahan...SR...Baylor
Line...Tony Brackens...SO...Texas
Line...Royal West...SR...TCU
Line...Larry Jackson...JR...Texas A&M
Linebacker...Zach Thomas...JR...Texas Tech
Linebacker...Marcus Coleman...Texas Tech
Linebacker...Antonio Armstrong...SR...Texas A&M
Back...Rodney Watkins...SR...SMU
Back...Joey Ellis...SR...Texas
Back...Ray Mickens...JR...Texas A&M
Back...Chris Lewis...SR...Baylor

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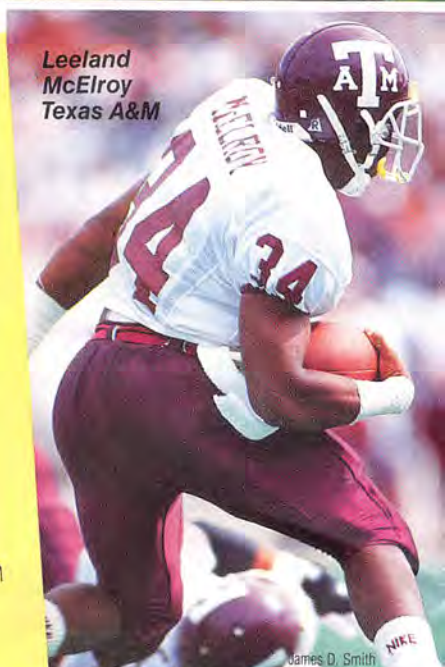


Shea Morenz
Texas

James D. Smith

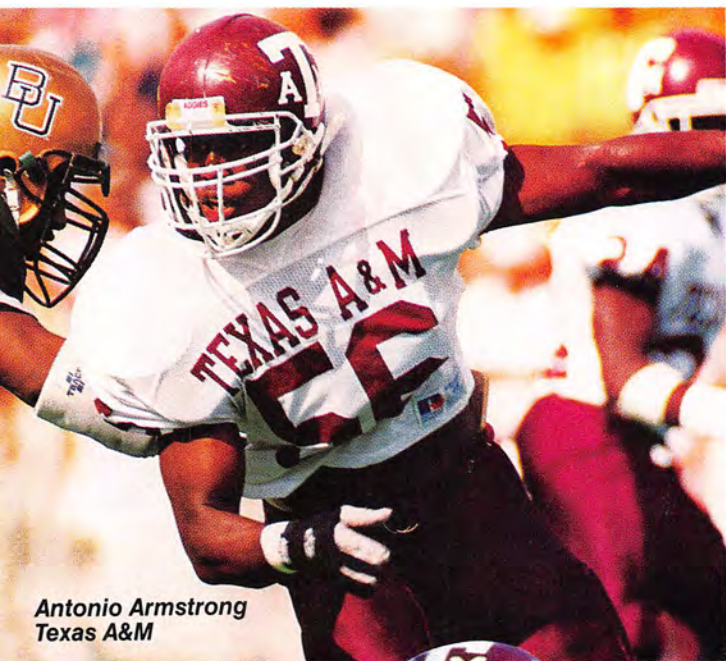


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Texas Tech

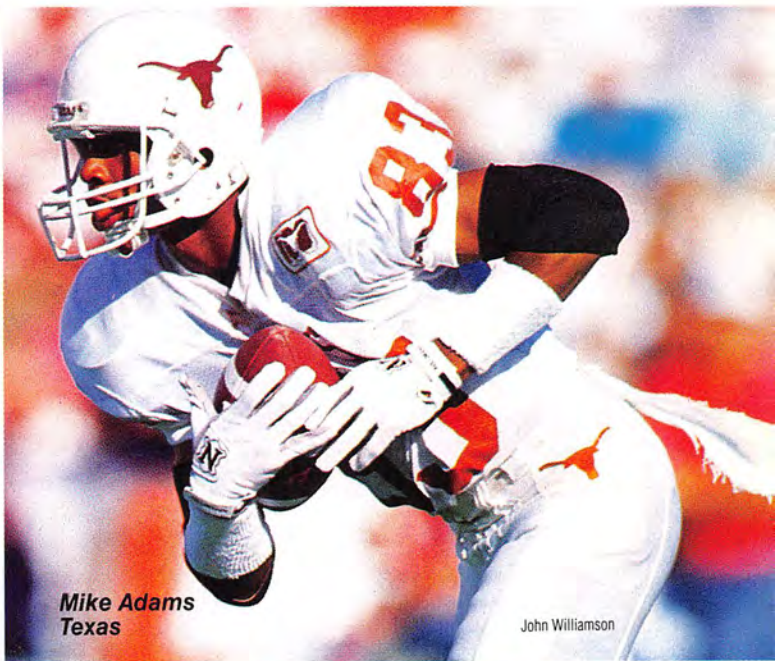


Leeland
McElroy
Texas A&M

James D. Smith



Antonio Armstrong
Texas A&M



Mike Adams
Texas

John Williamson



Rodney
Thomas
Texas A&M

Joe Patronite / Allsport USA

east

by **MICKEY FURFARI** THOMSON NEWSPAPERS

● You might say the Big East arrived in 1993. Surprising West Virginia proved that a team other than perennial power Miami can capture the conference championship. And Boston College rose up and knocked off No. 1 Notre Dame in a 41-39 thriller at South Bend. Those two developments highlighted the three-year-old league's first season of round robin play.

Miami should reassert its superiority this year, though. The Hurricanes, Big East champions in 1991-92, return nine starters on offense and four on defense. Most coaches would be happy with a 9-3 mark and a New Year's Day bowl appearance, but not Dennis Erickson. That result was deeply disappointing to the Miami mentor, whose five-year record of 53-7 includes two national championships.

West Virginia is in the process of a major overhaul after its second undefeated season in six years. The Mountaineers, 17-14 winners over Miami, also snared the Lambert/Meadowlands Trophy, symbolic of Division I-A supremacy in the East. But Florida dealt them a 41-7 drubbing in the Sugar Bowl. Coach Don Nehlen now must baptize a young team against Nebraska, last year's only other unbeaten team during the regular season, in the Kickoff Classic on August 28.

Virginia Tech expects to challenge for the Big East title. The Hokies could top last year's 9-3 resurgence, including an upset of Indiana in the Independence Bowl. All-star candidate Maurice DeShazo is the league's most prolific quarterback. The Hokies also have 13 other returning starters.

Boston College lost all-Big East quarterback Glenn Foley, but returns most of its other regulars from a 9-3 team. The Eagles have a completely new coaching staff, however. Dan Henning took over in March after Tom Coughlin left for the NFL along with six assistants.

Coach Paul Pasqualoni must plug several huge holes at Syracuse after last year's unexpected 6-4-1 skid. The biggest task is replacing Marvin Graves, who owns nearly all of the school's offensive records.

Rutgers moves into a renovated stadium with expanded seating as the Scarlet Knights attempt to reverse an injury-marred

4-7 showing. Coach Doug Graber still has quarterback Ray Lucas and a pair of excellent tailbacks. Johnny Majors, with 20 hold-over starters, anticipates some improvement at Pittsburgh. So does Ron Dickerson at Temple. Both are second-year head coaches who experienced frustrating debuts a year ago.

The Big East no longer is loaded with outstanding quarterbacks. Running backs now appear to be the conference's marquee players. Terrell Willis of Rutgers, Curtis Martin of Pittsburgh, Robert Walker of West Virginia, and Dwayne Thomas of Virginia Tech all topped 1,000 yards rushing in '93. Bruce Presley of Rutgers, James Stewart and Larry Jones of Miami, Ralphiel Mack of Temple, David Green of Boston College, Kirby Dar Dar of Syracuse, and Tommy Edwards of Virginia Tech are other strong runners.

Meanwhile, Navy looks for smoother sailing in search of its first winning season in many years. Army is rebuilding after going 6-5. Both I-A independents have productive quarterbacks.

1994 all-east team

offense

Quarterback . . . Maurice DeShazo . . . SR . . . Virginia Tech
Running back . . . Terrell Willis . . . SO . . . Rutgers
Running back . . . Curtis Martin . . . SR . . . Pittsburgh
Wide receiver . . . Chris T. Jones . . . SR . . . Miami
Wide receiver . . . Damon Dixon . . . SR . . . Navy
Wide receiver . . . Antonio Freeman . . . SR . . . Virginia Tech
Tight end . . . Pete Mitchell . . . SR . . . Boston College
Line . . . Tirrell Greene . . . SR . . . Miami
Line . . . Tom Robsack . . . SR . . . West Virginia
Line . . . Melvin Tuten . . . SR . . . Syracuse
Line . . . Greg Landry . . . JR . . . Boston College
Line . . . Reuben Brown . . . SR . . . Pittsburgh
Place-kicker . . . David Gordon . . . SR . . . Boston College

defense

Line . . . Barry Hawkins . . . SR . . . West Virginia
Line . . . Warren Sapp . . . JR . . . Miami
Line . . . Tom Barndt . . . SR . . . Pittsburgh
Line . . . Pat Riley . . . SR . . . Miami
Linebacker . . . Rohan Marley . . . JR . . . Miami
Linebacker . . . Stephen Boyd . . . SR . . . Boston College
Linebacker . . . Tom Tumulty . . . JR . . . Pittsburgh
Linebacker . . . Ken Brown . . . SR . . . Virginia Tech
Back . . . Joe Komara . . . SR . . . Boston College
Back . . . C.J. Richardson . . . SR . . . Miami
Back . . . David Mayfield . . . SR . . . West Virginia
Back . . . Tony Jones . . . SR . . . Syracuse
Punter . . . Todd Sauerbrun . . . SR . . . West Virginia

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Warren Sapp
Miami



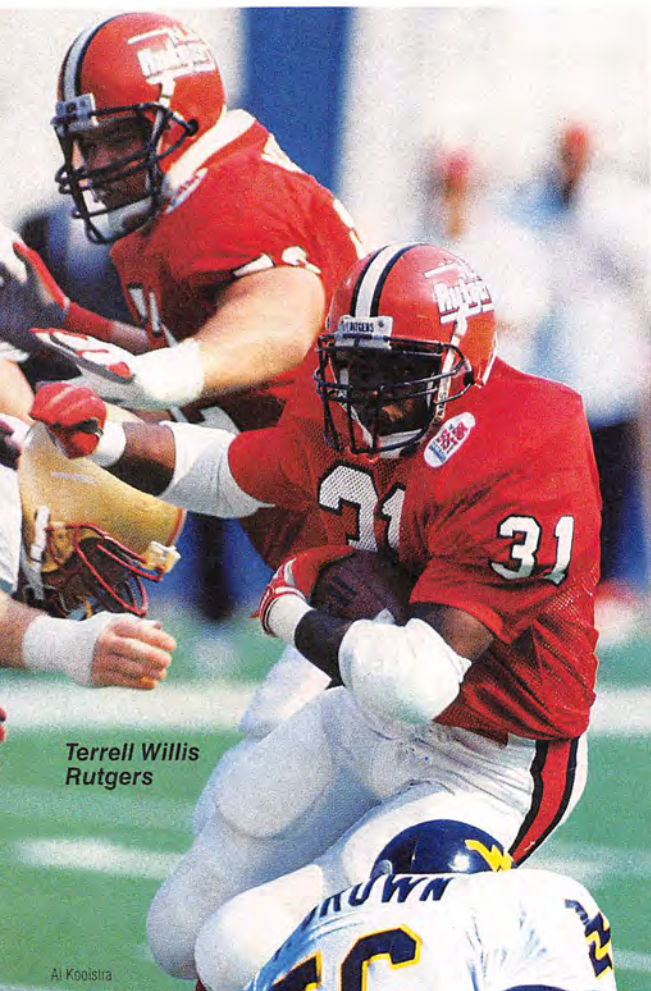
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Virginia Tech

David L. Greene



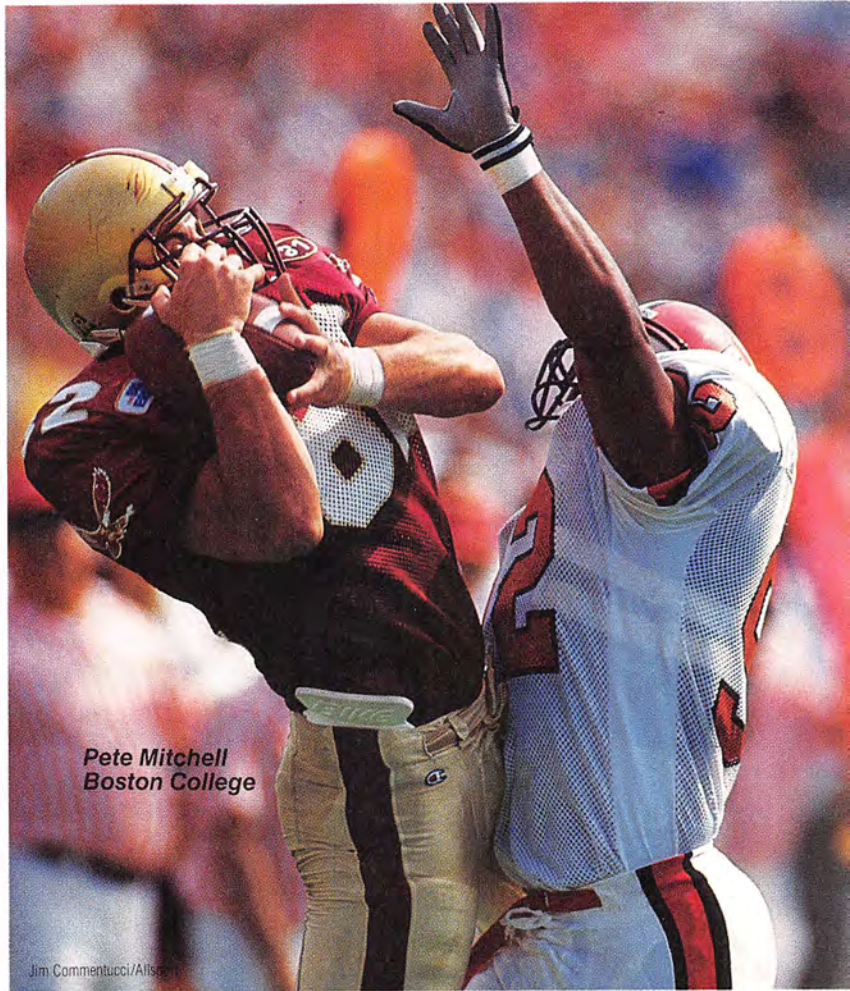
Tom Tumulty
Pittsburgh

David L. Greene



Terrell Willis
Rutgers

Al Kooistra



Pete Mitchell
Boston College

Jim Commentucci/Allsport



Curtis Martin
Pittsburgh

Rick Stewart/Allsport

rockies

by **LEE BENSON** SALT LAKE CITY DESERET NEWS

● The early departure of the league's three biggest names has left the Western Athletic Conference with a wide-open marquee, not to mention a league race, going into the 1994 season. San Diego State running back Marshall Faulk, Fresno State quarterback Trent Dilfer, and San Diego State wide receiver Darnay Scott could have been seniors this year, sighting in on the Heisman Trophy, but all three cashed in their final year of eligibility due to the sincerest form of football flattery: promises from the NFL that they'd go high in the draft. As advertised, they indeed went high. Faulk was the No. 2 player taken, Dilfer was No. 6, and Scott was No. 29.

The WAC didn't know whether to be sad or depressed. Graduating three of its own that high in the pro draft reflected nicely on the league. That was the good news. The bad news is having to replace three guys who would have had legitimate Heisman campaigns and who helped the WAC set an attendance record with over two million fans in 1994. Still, there were a lot of WAC people who were glad to see Faulk, Dilfer, and Scott go. Defensive coordinators in particular, who felt they had showed off long enough, especially Faulk, who in three seasons rushed into the WAC record book as the No. 2 career rusher and scorer with 4,589 yards and 376 points.

The departure of the big three makes room for new stars to be born. The chief candidates include a trio of quarterbacks: Brigham Young's John Walsh, Utah's Mike McCoy, and San Diego State's Tim Gutierrez. While playing in the shadow of Dilfer, who led the country with the third-highest passing efficiency rating in history (173.2) last season, these three each threw for more than 20 touchdowns and 3,000 yards at over 60 percent accuracy. Walsh and McCoy took their teams to bowl games as well.

Walsh's Cougars again figure to be the WAC team to beat, if for no other reason than that they have won the WAC 15 of the last 18 seasons, including the last five. Last year's 6-6 record marked BYU's worst campaign in 20 seasons, but it still didn't keep the Cougars out of a share of the title and a trip to the Holiday Bowl. BYU's consistency is about the only constant that comes into play when analyzing the WAC race, however. The league finds itself in an interesting state of flux. Rebuilding is going on at many of the perennially strong programs, including Fresno State, San Diego State, Hawaii, Air Force, Wyoming, and, to some extent, Utah, while momentum is on the way up at Colorado State and New Mexico, signifying a changing of the guard in the WAC.

1994 all-rockies team

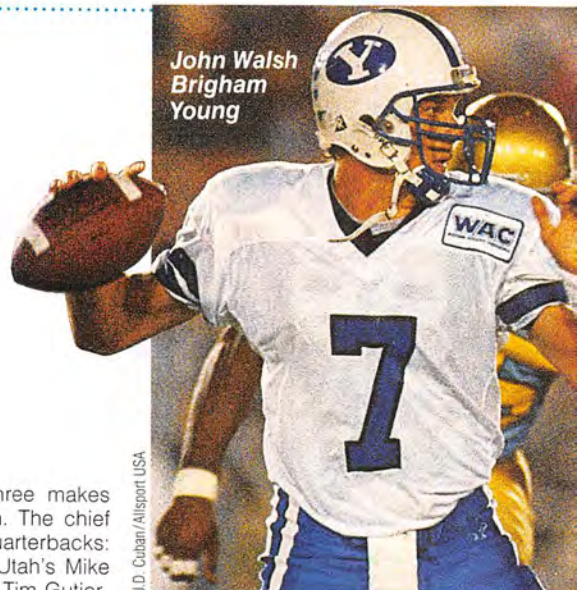
offense

Quarterback . . . John Walsh . . . Jr. . . Brigham Young
Running back . . . Sherriden May . . . SR . . . Idaho
Running back . . . Ryan Christopherson . . . SR . . . Wyoming
Wide receiver . . . Bryce Doman . . . SR . . . Brigham Young
Wide receiver . . . Deron Claiborne . . . SR . . . Utah
Tight end . . . Pat McNerney . . . SR . . . Weber State
Line . . . Jason James . . . SR . . . Fresno State
Line . . . Lance Scott . . . SR . . . Utah
Line . . . Harold Fox . . . SR . . . Eastern Wash.
Line . . . Steve Scitres . . . SO . . . Wyoming
Line . . . Scott Gragg . . . SR . . . Montana
Place-kicker . . . Marshall Young . . . JR . . . UTEP
Kick-returner . . . Greg Myers . . . JR . . . Colorado State

defense

Line . . . Luther Ellis . . . SR . . . Utah
Line . . . Steve Hodge . . . SR . . . Colorado State
Line . . . Craig Steinmetzer . . . SR . . . Eastern Washington
Line . . . Ryan Phillips . . . SO . . . Idaho
Linebacker . . . Dan Downs . . . SR . . . Montana
Linebacker . . . Kenya Ragsdale . . . SR . . . Colorado State
Linebacker . . . Ron Papazian . . . SR . . . Fresno State
Back . . . Greg Myers . . . JR . . . Colorado State
Back . . . Mark Grimmer . . . Jr. . . Montana State
Back . . . Ernest Boyd . . . SR . . . Utah
Back . . . Omar Stoutmire . . . SO . . . Fresno State
Punter . . . Jason Jones . . . SR . . . Utah

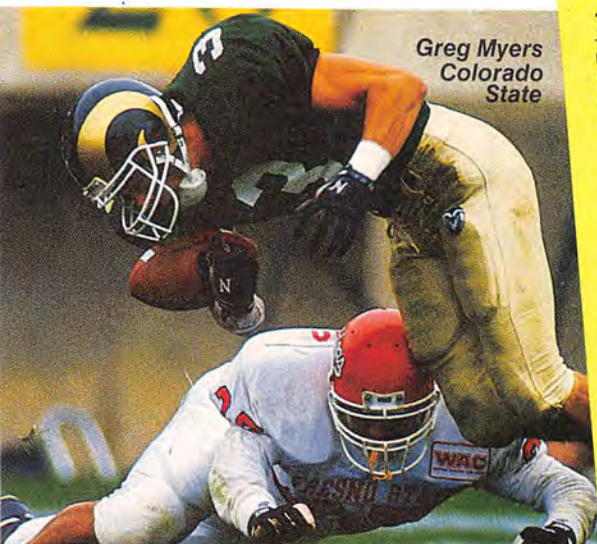
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Young



Dave
Dickenson
Montana

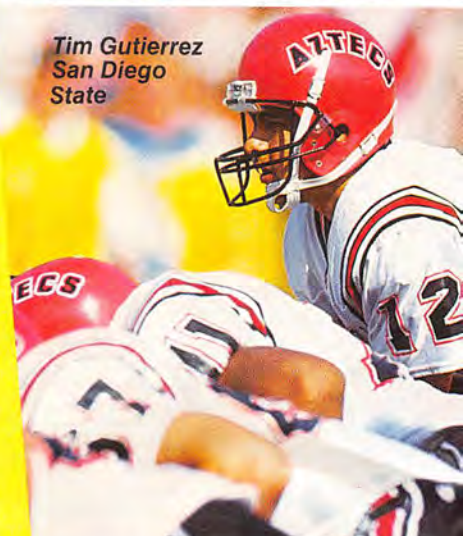


Greg Myers
Colorado
State



Tim DeFrisco/Allsport USA

Tim Gutierrez
San Diego
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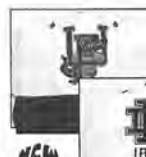
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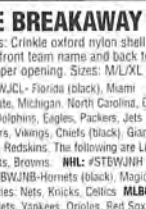
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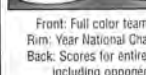
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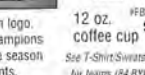
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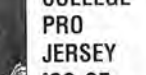
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Repeat after me: Youngstown State and Marshall to meet in the title game for the fourth straight year.

by **DAVID NEWTON** THE (COLUMBIA) STATE

● The men of steel in Youngstown, Ohio, are still blue-collar workers who arrive on the job wearing hard hats and measure a day's work by the amount of sweat on their shirts. Only now, their hard hats are helmets and their shirts are jerseys.

For the past three years, Youngstown State has pounded Division I-AA football opponents like those who carried lunch pails in this once-booming steel city once pounded bars from hot molten metal. The Penguins have won 47 games since 1990, which is three more than Division I-A powerhouse Florida State and seven more than their closest I-AA competitor. They've played in the national championship game three straight years, winning in 1991 and '93. Their public-

best two teams and be bragging," he said. "But we're certainly among the best two teams. I don't know about the talent, but as far as team concept, playing together, and being successful, you've got to rank us both up there."

There is precedent for making it to the title game four straight years. Eastern Kentucky did it under Roy Kidd (1979-82). Tressell is



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ty department calls them the "Team of the Decade," and few argue the point. So, if you're picking a favorite for this season's title game, go ahead and pencil in Youngstown State. And while you're at it, pencil in Marshall right next to them. The Thundering Herd has also made three straight trips to the title game, winning in 1992, and its 40 victories in the 1990s are second in I-AA to Youngstown State's 47.

"I wouldn't say that's real safe," said Youngstown State coach Jim Tressell of the prediction for another rematch. "But you can bet one thing: Both of us will be trying like crazy to get there."

Marshall coach Jim Donnan agreed. "I don't want to sit back and say we have the

Marilyn Testerman-Hay

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TODD DONNAN Marshall

very familiar with those teams. When he took over Youngstown State eight years ago, he modeled his program after ECU, which meant building a great defense and an offense based on a solid ground game. It's hard to argue with the system. Since 1978, Eastern Kentucky has won fewer than eight games just once (7-3-1 in 1983). The Colonels have won 10 or more games eight times and have been to the playoffs a record 14 times in the 16-year history of I-AA. They are 90-9-1 at Roy Kidd Stadium since 1978. Kidd's 247 victories rank third behind Grambling's Eddie Robinson and Penn State's Joe Paterno among active Division I-A and I-AA coaches.

"They've proven that's the way to get to the playoffs," Tressell said of the Colonels. "When we looked around and asked who we had to beat to get to the championship, they were the ones." Kidd's glad he could be of service. "But I hope he cuts that out," he said. "I've got to go there this year."

Tressell's also "borrowed" from a couple of other successful programs in Georgia

Top25

1. Youngstown State
2. Marshall
3. Montana
4. Georgia Southern
5. McNeese State
6. Idaho
7. Stephen F. Austin
8. Central Florida
9. Eastern Kentucky
10. Tennessee Tech
11. Northern Iowa
12. Delaware
13. Boston University
14. Alcorn State
15. Howard
16. Montana State
17. Western Carolina
18. Tennessee-Martin
19. Troy State
20. Nicholls State
21. Southern University
22. Pennsylvania
23. South Carolina State
24. Massachusetts
25. East Tennessee State

Southern and Marshall. Georgia Southern played in five of six championships from 1985 to 1990 and is the only I-AA school to win four titles and two in a row. The Eagles won in 1985-86 and in 1989-90. And you're already aware of Marshall's recent achievements under Donnan, whose philosophies almost mirror those of Kidd and Georgia Southern's Tim Stowers.

"We've gotten to know a lot about each other," Tressell said of Donnan and Marshall. "We've stolen and borrowed a lot of ideas. Jim and I talk a lot during the season."

CHRIS PARKER Marshall



Marilyn Testerman-Hay

Neither of us worry about the championship game. We just try to make it to the next ball game. "Coaches are some of the biggest thieves in the world when it comes to ideas."

Offensive and defensive schemes aren't the only reason Youngstown State has established itself as the team of the '90s. Like those they've copied, they're in a hotbed for talent. Northeast Ohio is loaded with quality high school programs, one reason nearby Ohio State has been a Division I power for so long. "[Tressell] told me all their recruiting is within a 100-mile radius," Kidd said. "They don't even hardly have to spend the night on the road recruiting."

Said Troy State coach Larry Blakeney, whose team finished the 1993 regular season ranked No. 1 in its I-AA debut, "They're in an area where they can recruit a pretty tough kid." That toughness is the by-product of the environment. Many grew up in cities that became shells of themselves as the steel industry struggled. The city of Youngs-

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OFFENSE

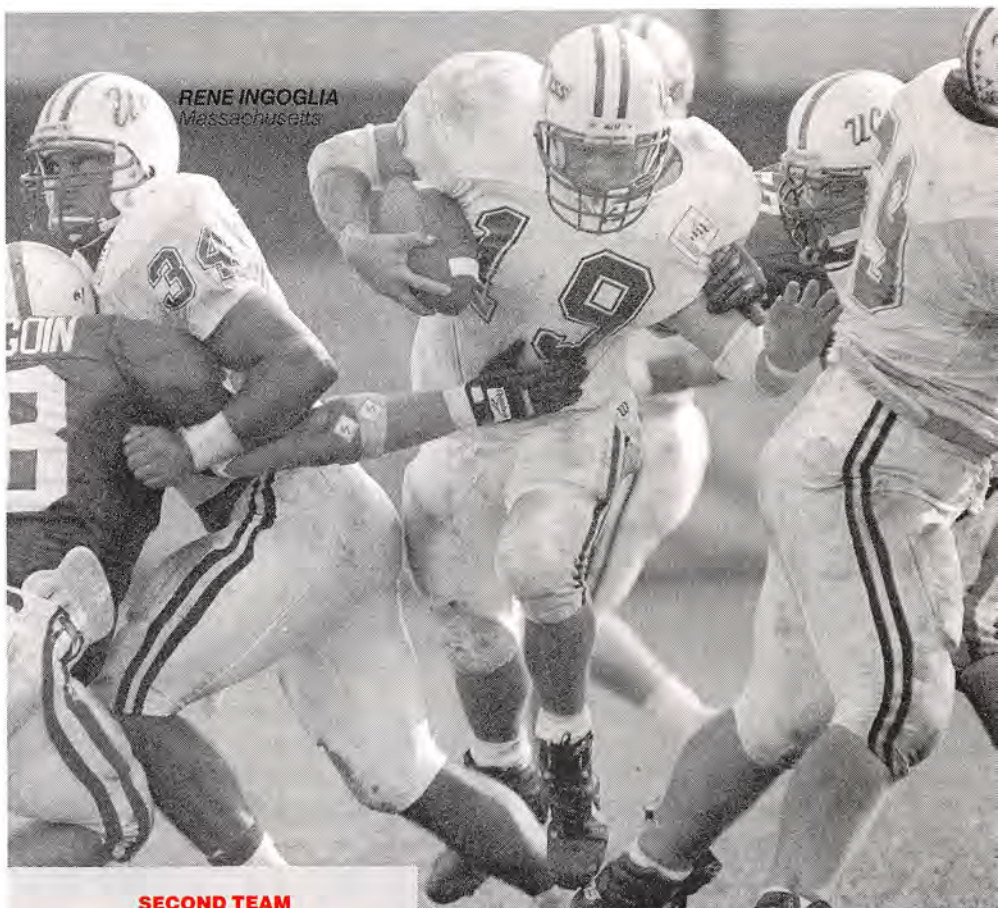
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RB Kippy Bayless, Middle Tennessee
WR Kerry Hayes, Western Carolina
WR David Rhodes, Central Florida
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OL Franklin Stephens, Georgia Southern
OL Octus Polk, Stephen F. Austin
OL Pat Hicks, Middle Tennessee
OL Scott Gragg, Montana
OL Chris Sammarone, Youngstown St.
PK Jose Lario, McNeese St.

DEFENSE

DL Anthony Cook, South Carolina St.
DL Dana Scott, McNeese St.
DL Willie Mitchell, Stephen F. Austin
LB Leon Jones, Youngstown St.
LB Dan Downs, Montana
LB Carlos Timmons, Eastern Kentucky
LB Jason Shelt, Idaho
DB Darryl Pounds, Nichols St.
DB Chris Helson, Boston University
DB Zack Bronson, McNeese St.
DB Roger Johnson, Marshall
P Josh Farrell, Sam Houston St.

town has shut down as many factories as Youngstown State has shut down opponents. And watching the community rally around the team the way it used to rally around the steel industry has been a major source of enjoyment for Tressell.

"Without question, it's rallied around the team," Tressell said of the community. "When that happens, it rallies around the university as a whole. It's been real neat lis-



RENE INGOGLIA
Massachusetts

SECOND TEAM

OFFENSE

QB Dave Dickenson, Montana
RB Willie High, Eastern Illinois
RB Sherriden May, Idaho
WR Miles Macik, Pennsylvania
WR Scott Gurnsey, Montana
TE Pat McNeerney, Weber St.
OL Jason Combs, Eastern Kentucky
OL Wes Greenwell, Western Carolina
OL Ray Miller, Youngstown St.
OL Brian Fisher, Furman
OL Calvin Griffin, Southern
PK Reed Haley, Georgia Southern

DEFENSE

DL Doug Berg, Southeast Missouri
DL William Peebles, Appalachian St.
DL Chris Roberson, Stephen F. Austin
LB Kenya Rounds, Southern
LB Vincent Landrum, McNeese St.
LB Andre Allen, Northern Iowa
LB Pat Goodwillie, Pennsylvania
DB Rodney Harrison, Western Illinois
DB Chris Guyton, Eastern Kentucky
DB Rob Hitchcock, Weber St.
DB Breon Parker, Massachusetts
P Eric Colvard, Liberty

tening to people verbalize what it has meant to their home. To listen to people who have been through the trauma of the steel industry . . . it's really been something."

It should continue to be. With 14 returning starters, including most of the offensive line and quarterback Mark Brungard, Youngstown State has the nucleus for another trip to 28,000-seat Marshall Stadium for the championship game. Take out a 2-9 record during Tressell's first season at Youngstown, and he has a 68-24-1 record with six trips to the playoffs in seven years and four trips to a title game, including the 1979 Division II championship.

"Youngstown State is definitely the No. 1 team, and not just because we're opening with them," Stephen F. Austin coach John Pearce said. "They're loaded. There are certain teams you just know are going to be there, and they're one of them."

Replacing arguably the nation's best backfield in Tamron Smith and Darnell Clark won't be easy. Smith rushed for 1,433 yards and 20 touchdowns last fall to finish his ca-

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reer with 4,866 yards and a school-record 53 touchdowns (52 on the ground). Clark had 1,166 yards and 13 TDs. But Tressell didn't leave himself high and dry after the 13-2 record. Sophomore Charles Perdue, who rushed for 392 yards on 86 carries, should be more than adequate behind center Chris Sammarone, guard Ray Miller, and tackles Paul Kokos and George Tomasch. Youngstown State's biggest obstacle could be complacency. "There are always the pitfalls that winning breeds complacency," Tressell said. "I have constantly talked to them about reality. I hope I've got everyone's attention 100 percent."

Marshall's first challenge will be to win the Southern Conference. Despite its success in the playoffs, the Thundering Herd has won only one league title (shared with Furman in 1988) since becoming a member in 1976. They finished 6-2 in the Southern a year ago, a game behind Georgia Southern. The year before that they were runner-up to The Citadel and before that to Appalachian State. "We had to win our last game the last three years just to make the playoffs," Donnan explained. "I don't know what it's going to take to win the conference, but our kids are playoff tough and used to it."

DAMON BODDIE *Montana*



Greg Jensen/Claron Ledger

Donnan says that this year's team reminds him of the 1992 team that won the title. He's got seven starters back on offense, including All-America candidate Chris Parker at running back and his son, Todd, at quarterback. Parker is the nation's leading returning rusher after gaining a school-record 1,750 yards in 1993. He also set a league scoring mark with 144 points. Todd Donnan complemented him well, completing 211 of 372 pass attempts for 2,591 yards. Like Youngstown State, most of the questions are on defense, where Marshall lost its starting linebackers, including William King, the league's Defensive Player of the Year. "We have a good nucleus, but you still have to pick Youngstown as the favorite [nationally] because they have their offensive line back," Donnan reasoned.

Picking a favorite in the Southern Conference is just as easy for Donnan. He looks no further than Georgia Southern, which returns 13 starters (8 on offense) from the team that

STEVE MCNAIR *Alcorn State*



PAT GOODWILLIE *Penn*



Todd Goodrich

They're also used to playing most of their playoff games at home. Not since losing to Youngstown State in Statesboro, GA, in 1991 have the Thundering Herd strayed from their home turf. They've played 11 of their last 12 playoff games in Huntington, WV. Having one of the better I-AA facilities and a nice financial package to offer for the title game helps. There's also a little luck involved. "Last year," Donnan said, "we were supposed to go to Montana [for the second round], even though we had a higher bid. Then they lost [49-48] on the last play of the game to Delaware."

won seven of eight league games as the new kid on the block.

"We heard things were going to be different for Georgia Southern as a member of a conference," Stowers said. "So we challenged our team to play hard each week, and we came out on top."

But Stowers understands now what other coaches mean when they say winning the Southern Conference title is more difficult than winning the national title. He also understands when his peers say the Southern, which has been represented in the championship game 12 times since 1983, is the best I-AA conference in the land. The former Georgia assistant compares it to playing in the SEC. "The Southern Conference is a mini-SEC," Stowers said. "You don't get a break in the schedule. It would be different if you could schedule everybody at home every year, but you can't. You have to deal with the mental part more than the physical." Stowers knows a little about the home-field advantage. Georgia Southern hosted the title game from 1989 to 1991. "We've been on both ends, so we're not going to complain," said Stowers, whose team was eliminated by Youngstown State, 34-14, in the quarterfinals last season.

He may not complain, but Kidd will. He believes Eastern Kentucky might have won a few more titles in the early '80s had the championship games been on his home field. He says his team was better than the Marshall team that beat the Colonels, 14-7, during the 1993 regular season and the Georgia Southern team that eliminated them from the playoffs in the first round with a 14-12 decision. "I thought the difference was

BRIAN FISHER *Furman*



home field," admitted Kidd. "If you don't get Marshall off its home field, it's going to be a contender every year."

EKU also is a national contender every year, and this one should be no different, with 15 starters back from last season's



KERRY HAYES *Western Carolina*

team that won the Ohio Valley Conference with an 8-0 record. Of the Colonels' four non-conference losses, one was a 26-22 setback to Youngstown State. Eastern Kentucky's top challengers for the OVC crown appear to be perennial power Middle Tennessee and up-and-comer Tennessee Tech. Middle Tennessee returns 19 starters from a team that slumped to its worst record (5-6) in 13 years. Tennessee Tech returns 20 starters from a team that finished 8-3. Its 7-1 OVC record was its best since 1972.

The best news for teams in the Southland Conference is that powerhouse Northeast Louisiana is headed for Division I-A. But that doesn't mean the league, usually one of the top two in the country, will suffer. McNeese State, which won the title last year with a 7-0 record, and Stephen F. Austin are as good as any two teams from another league. North Texas also could contend with All-America candidate Mitch Maher at quarterback and 14 returning starters from a team that lost at McNeese State (18-17) and to Stephen F. Austin (29-27). "I hate to see them leave the league," McNeese State coach Bobby Keasler said. "But I don't think this league gets any easier."

The Big Sky also has a pair of teams that should be national contenders. Montana, which won the league last fall with a 7-0 mark, returns 15 starters, including junior quarterback Dave Dickenson, I-AA's leader in total offense a year ago. Idaho, which lost, 35-16, to Youngstown State in last season's semifinals, also should be strong with 15 regulars back from a team that led the nation in scoring and total offense en route to a school-record-tying 11 victories. "I think the league is as good as it has ever been," Montana coach Don Read said.

The Yankee Conference should have its perennial challengers in Delaware and Boston University. The league had a record seven teams with overall winning records last season, and had three teams in the playoffs for only the second time.

Look for Northern Iowa once again to come out of the Gateway Conference. The Panthers return 14 starters from a team that won its third straight league title.

The Southwestern Athletic Conference should be a three-way race among defending champion Southern University, Alcorn State, and Grambling. Howard, 11-1 a year ago, is the favorite in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. Pennsylvania and Princeton should contend in the Ivy League. As for the independents, Troy State lived up to its first-year billing by going 10-0-1 in the regular season and advancing to the semifinals, where it lost, 24-21, to Marshall. "We lost some good players from that team, but we're not conceding anything [to independent Youngstown State]," Blakeney said.

Nobody is.

"To this point, they are the team of the decade," Donnan said. "But there are a lot more years left in the decade."

Mark Haskell

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by GREGG DEWALT FLORENCE (AL) TIMES-DAILY

North Alabama finally won the national championship on its home field.

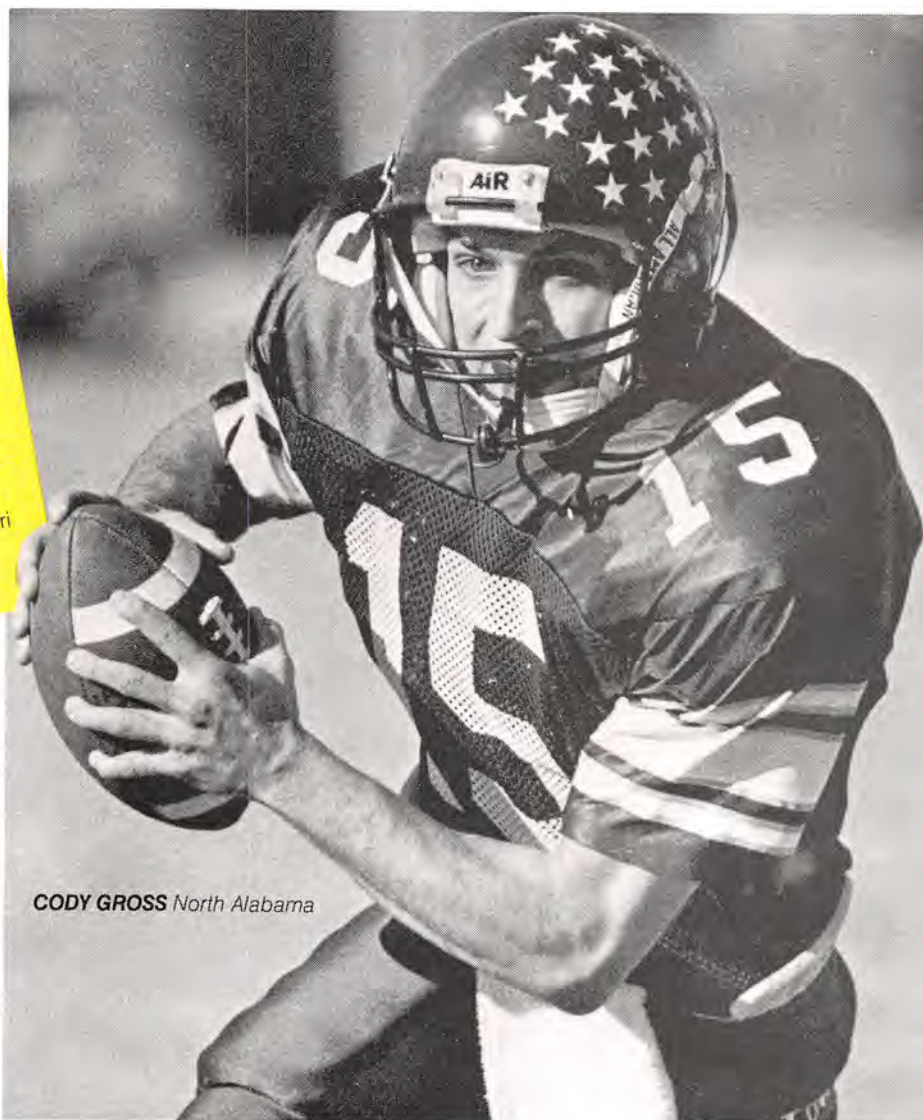
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| 2. Texas A&M-Kingsville | 15. Missouri Southern |
| 3. New Haven | 16. Wayne State |
| 4. Pittsburg State | 17. Fort Valley State |
| 5. Indiana | 18. Edinboro |
| 6. Ferris State | 19. Wofford |
| 7. North Dakota State | 20. Angelo State |
| 8. Portland State | 21. Grand Valley State |
| 9. Hampton | 22. North Dakota |
| 10. Valdosta State | 23. East Stroudsburg |
| 11. Fort Hays | 24. Northeast Missouri |
| 12. Northern Colorado | 25. Ashland |
| 13. Millersville | |

● **North Alabama** coach Bobby Wallace got tired of watching other teams come to Florence, Alabama, each season and play the national championship game on his field. Often, Wallace was out of town during that week. If his Lions weren't playing in the game, Wallace didn't want to see other teams celebrating a Division II title.

And who could blame him? When the championship game moved from McAllen, Texas, to Florence in 1986, members of the local committee that spearheaded the relocation efforts did so with the dream of one day seeing the hometown team win the national title on its own turf. Eight years later, North Alabama did just that, completing a perfect 14-0 season with a stirring 41-34 triumph in the finals over Indiana University of Pennsylvania in front of an SRO crowd at Braly Stadium and a national television audience. The victory made Wallace and the local fans happy. The full stadium made the NCAA happy.

But 1993 is history and supporters of North Alabama football are looking ahead for an encore performance this fall. The Lions lost two vital cogs in last year's dash for the championship. Harlon Hill Trophy finalist Tyrone Rush (1,466 yards rushing, 19 TDs), the school's all-time leading rusher, and his backfield mate Brian Satterfield (1,087, 14) have graduated and signed free-agent contracts with the Washington Redskins. The secondary again has some holes to fill, but 15 returning starters along with 43 lettermen have Wallace optimistic for another successful year.



CODY GROSS North Alabama

"I don't say we're on top and that's where we want to stay," Wallace said. "I don't look at it that way at all. All I do is focus on how good we can be. Whether we are as good as North Dakota State, whether we're as good as Texas A&M-Kingsville, or whether we're as good as Portland State is not even a thought in my mind now. And I don't even care. All I care about right now is are we working to be as good as we can be?"

Wallace has an assortment of talented backs waiting to step in to fill the shoes of Satterfield and Rush, including Kenyatta Jones, who rushed for 892 yards in UNA's potent option-oriented attack. Quarterback Cody Gross, who led UNA to the national championship with a last-second drive, will again direct the offense. Defensively, UNA lost several key performers. But the team's top two tacklers, linebackers Ronald McKin-

non and Keith Humphrey, are back. On their way to the national championship, the Lions played a tough schedule, and had wins over Portland State, Texas A&M-Kingsville, Hampton, Carson-Newman, Valdosta State, and Indiana. This year, they will visit top 20 candidate Ft. Valley State and defending I-AA champ Youngstown State.

"In the last two years, we've gotten to a different level and I've been able to see the best teams in Division II firsthand," Wallace said. "We played more great teams last year than we even have. It's pretty impressive. I've been in Division I, and maybe my memory is not very good, but the football team we had last year would have a chance against a lot of Division I and Division I-AA teams."

If this year's Lions reach that same plateau, everybody else in Division II could be playing for second place.

Texas A&M-Kingsville took UNA down to the wire in their semifinal playoff game, losing 27-25. The Javelinas, who turned around after an 0-5 start last fall to win the Lone Star Conference, return 16 starters from that team, including quarterback Joe Menchaca, who threw 10 touchdown passes and led the team in total offense with 133.2 yards per game. Menchaca should be well-protected behind returning linemen Tom Crossland and Kevin Dogins. The first step back into the playoff picture for coach Ron Harms will be to win the LSC for a third consecutive year. But Harms admits that won't be easy. "You can throw a blanket over the conference schools," he said. "There has been an influx of outstanding quarterbacks and several of the teams in the lower division have had a resurgence. It'll be the best conference race in five or six years." Six starters return on defense, but finding a replacement for Anthony Phillips, who went midway through the NFL draft, will be a priority.

There may not be a more intimidating offensive attack in the country than **New Haven's**. The Chargers haven't lost a regular-season game in two years, and in 1993 averaged 54.7 points per game. The mastermind of that team, Mark Whipple, accepted the head-coaching position at Brown University in the offseason, but he hardly left a depleted squad for new coach Tony Sporano. Harlon Hill Trophy winner Roger Graham returns with 20 school records already and the chance to break several NCAA marks. With an additional 1,974 yards and 157 points, Graham will become the all-time (all-divisions) leader in rushing and scoring in NCAA history. Since Graham has averaged 1,700 yards and 135 points while splitting time with the now-graduated A.J. Livingston, those marks should be well within his reach. Quarterback Jim Weir set a school record with 31 TD passes in '93 and compiled an NCAA-best 172.0 efficiency rating. He's back after throwing one interception in 266 attempts last fall.

Pittsburg State (KS) suffered a rare three-loss season and didn't get past the first round of the playoffs after two straight appearances in the championship game. Although coach Chuck Broyles has only 10 starters back, he's confident the Gorillas will make a sixth consecutive playoff appearance. "We've got plenty of depth in many key places," said Broyles. "We had a good recruiting campaign and felt we've addressed several immediate needs, especially on the defensive line and at wide receiver." Quarterback Jeff Moreland started nine games as a redshirt freshman in the Gorillas' 1991 national championship season and guided the team to eight victories and a tie. He went into the spring as No. 1 after missing most of the last two years with injuries. With a wealth of running backs and

an upgraded receiving corps, Pitt State shouldn't have any trouble scoring. The big question mark is along the defensive front, which will feature four new players.

Indiana (PA) was within seconds of taking North Alabama to overtime in the championship game last fall. Coach Larry Cignetti has 13 starters back from that team but must replace some key offensive personnel. Gone are tailback Michael Mann, quarterback Scott Woods, receivers JeMone Smith and Derrick Smith, guard Matthew Dalverny, kicker Michael Geary, and tight end Theo Turner. Steve Russell and Pitt transfer Ken Turner should battle at quarterback. Linebacker Omar Stewart and cornerback Harold Brister anchor the defense. Early games against Grand Valley State and New Haven could tell the story for the Indians in '94. A win against Grand Valley would be No. 100 for Cignetti.

Ferris State has established itself as the team to beat in the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference with back-to-back championships. The Bulldogs didn't lose in the regular season (9-0-2) and were beaten, 28-21, by Indiana in the first round of the playoffs. Sixteen starters, including running back Tyree Dye (20 TDs) and quarterback Bill Love (2,491 yards passing), are back. David Nelson had 604 yards on punt returns—a Division II record. Mike Brooks made 185 tackles and leads the Bulldog defense along with fellow linebacker Chip Egbert and back Akil Young.

North Dakota State missed the playoffs for the first time since 1987. Two of their three losses were by one point despite using an all-freshman backfield for most of the season. Coach Rocky Hager will depend on 13 returning starters, including record-setting freshman quarterback Rob Hyland, to lead the Bison back into the national championship hunt. Hyland took over when All-America candidate Arden Beachy was injured in the opening game and he proceeded to set a school total-offense record (2,192 yards). Hyland threw for 12 touchdowns and ran for 12 more, giving the run-oriented Bison a passing threat. Their line-backing corps of Chad Pundsack, Joe Toth, Gunar Gossard, and Cory Stroup will be as solid as anybody's in the North Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Portland State is a Division II independent playing a Division I-type schedule. The Vikings will be looking to make the playoffs for the seventh time in eight years, but they will have to do it against a slate that includes Oregon from the Pac-10, Western Kentucky, five Division I-AA opponents, Texas A&M-Kingsville, and Angelo State. "The schedule doesn't allow much room for error," said second-year coach Tim Walsh. "But meeting this caliber of opponent week in and week out [should] make us a better playoff team in December."

The Vikings are always good on offense and probably will be again, even though just three starters return. Houston transfer Kyle Allen, who set a juco record by throwing 65 touchdown passes at San Francisco City College, should get the nod at quarterback. Darick Holmes scored 13 touchdowns, ran for 700 yards, caught 52 passes for 562 yards and is already a star with a 230-pound frame. Eight regulars, including nose tackle Akaba Delany, lead the defense.

Hampton will be making a swan song in Division II before making the transition to I-AA in 1995. The Pirates have won 23 games the past two seasons, but each time came up empty against North Alabama in the playoffs. Quarterback Matt Montgomery, winding up a stellar career, has 48 touchdown passes, including 13 as a junior. When he is not throwing, Montgomery will hand the ball to fullback Anthony Smith (1,034 yards, 9 TDs) or Malcolm Benson (10 TDs). Kevin White, who scored 10 times last fall, has been moved to wide receiver and should become a favorite target of Montgomery's.

Valdosta State was the second-best team in the powerful Gulf South Conference, but that wasn't good enough to get the Blazers into the playoffs. Quarterback Chris Hatcher put up All-America numbers and helped VSU lead the conference in scoring (40 points per game). He should battle New Haven's Graham for the Harlon Hill Trophy (awarded to the top player in Division II), and the two offensive standouts will be on display when the teams meet on October 8 in Valdosta. The Blazers have 17 starters back from last year's 8-3 squad, including 10 on defense. Two of the best are all-GSC end Andre Hampton (10 sacks) and linebacker Erasmus Harvey, who will switch from the weak to the strong side in '94. The Blazers have all the tools to win a national championship for coach Hal Mumme, but they must unseat North Alabama in the conference race to get that chance.

Don't be surprised to see **Fort Hays State** back for a second appearance in the Division II playoffs. With 17 starters on hand from last year's Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship team (8-4), the Tigers should be strong once again. Tailback Clint Bedore (1,619 yards, 134.9 per game) is only a junior. A couple of transfers, Ernest Williams from Oklahoma and Emmett Pride from Indiana, provide plenty of depth. Those backs will be running behind 300-pound bookend tackles Cliff Sennett and Dolyn Jackson. The Tigers ranked first in defense in the RMAC and have eight players back from that unit. Jose Salcido had 117 tackles and six interceptions, numbers that landed him on the all-conference team. Cornerback Donovan Johnson had three touchdowns: returning a fumble, an interception, and a blocked field goal for scores.

Northern Colorado coach Joe Glenn

All-America Team

OFFENSE

QB Chris Hatcher, Valdosta State
RB Roger Graham, New Haven
RB Clint Bedore, Fort Hays
WR Josh Nelson, Mankato State
WR Oronde Graham, Winston-Salem
TE Andre President, Angelo State
OL Jon Thompson, North Alabama
OL Steve Hynes, East Stroudsburg
OL Greg Hood, Wofford
OL Mike Sheldon, Grand Valley State
OL Paul Bates, Kentucky Wesleyan
PK Barry Reese, Abilene Christian
KR Jerry Garrett, Wayne State

DEFENSE

DL Akaba Delaney, Portland State
DL Daron Rodgers, Carson-Newman
DL Tracy Ledbetter, Bowie State
LB Ronald McKinnon, North Alabama
LB Mike Brooks, Ferris State
LB Jeff Pease, Northern Colorado
LB Chris Willingham, Shippensburg
DB Robert Burnett, Elon
DB Chet Henicle, Bloomsburg
DB Tyrone Poole, Fort Valley State
DB Steve Russell, Edinboro
P Bob Koning, New Mexico Highlands

thinks his team could challenge for the NCC title and a national playoff berth if the Bears can find a way to win some close games. They were just 1-2 in games decided by less than a touchdown, but with 17 starters back, Glenn thinks UNC can improve on that mark. "Looking back, we realize that if we could have changed one or two plays in a couple of games, we could have been playing for the conference title," Glenn said. "Our players have got to have the attitude that they need to get a little better to win the championship." UNC will depend on an experienced offensive line to protect quarterback John Roberts (2,055 yards passing, 17 TDs). All-America linebacker Jeff Pease (102 tackles) was a Kodak All-America.

Millersville won the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East title with a 6-0 record and finished 8-2 overall, but was left out of the playoffs. That shouldn't happen this season with 19 starters and 38 lettermen returning. Temple transfer Greg Moylan should challenge incumbent Brad Fickes at quarterback. Marc DeBellis, an all-PSAC East first-team selection, leads the running game and is coming off a 1,308-yard, 10-touchdown effort. Only one player is gone from last year's defense that led the PSAC. Strong safety Joe Fimple led the squad with 85 tackles, while cornerback Deric Currie had four interceptions.

Carson-Newman made a splash in its first year on the Division II level, winning the South Atlantic Conference with an 8-1-1 record and getting a postseason invitation. The Eagles lost to North Alabama, 38-28, in the first round of the playoffs, but they should again be the cream of the SAC. Ten defensive starters, led by All-America tackle Daron Rogers and inside linebacker Anthony Davis, tackle Roc Evans, and free safety Bobby Jones, return. Nose guard Steve Mellon, an honorable mention All-America in 1992 who missed all of '93 with a broken leg, is also back. Quarterback Pop Williams will operate behind a veteran line and wide receiver Kendall James returned four kicks for touchdowns and is a threat every time he touches the ball.

Missouri Southern went unbeaten in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association and will again battle Pitt State for the conference title. Coach Jon Lentz must replace All-America selections Rod Smith and Rob Burton, as well as two-time all-MIAA quarterback Matt Cook. Among the contenders for the quarterback job is Oklahoma transfer Doug Switzer, son of Dallas Cowboys coach Barry Switzer. Cornerback Cedric Florence had seven interceptions in '93 and leads a group of 17 starters back.

Wayne State (NE) led the world in offense last season, racking up 581.5 yards and 44 points per game on the way to a 9-1 record. But Dennis Wagner has to find a replacement for Brett Salisbury, who was the

No. 2-rated quarterback in Division II. Still, there is plenty of talent on hand to make the Wildcats playoff contenders. Jerry Garrett and Byron Chamberlain combined to catch 140 passes for just under 1,900 yards and 14 touchdowns, while Lamont Rainey added 1,031 yards rushing and a school-record 13 TDs. Garrett also averaged 19 yards per punt return, tops in Division II.

Fort Valley State will be looking to unseat Albany State as champion of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Coach Doug Porter is only two victories away from 100 and should get those early in the season, thanks in part to a strong secondary anchored by Tyrone Poole, who had six interceptions last fall.

Edinboro went 8-2 in the regular season and reached the Division II playoffs for the fourth time in six years. Although four All-Americans are gone from that squad, two others, quarterback Jody Dickerson and safety Steve Russell, are back. Dickerson established school records with 2,209 yards passing and 23 TDs. Larry Jackson is seeking a third consecutive 1,000-yard season after rushing for 1,171 yards last fall. Russell intercepted seven passes in '93 and has 14 for his career. Michael Edwards had 127 tackles for the Scots.

Wofford, like Hampton, will be playing its final season in Division II and hoping to exit by advancing to the playoffs once again. The Terriers return 15 of 22 starters from a 7-3-1 team, including offensive lineman Greg Hood, who had 177 knockdowns. Eight regulars are back from a defense that limited opponents to 15.1 points per game.

If **Angelo State** can get past its first

three games, it could be off and running. The Rams open at North Dakota State, host Portland State, and then visit Sam Houston State. They have a host of all-LSC performers returning, but the most interesting may be Andre President, who went from power forward on the school's basketball team in 1992 to tight end in '93. President (6-6, 235) hadn't played football since his sophomore season in high school, but he caught 14 passes for 235 yards and helped the Rams double their rushing output.

The numbers are in place for **Grand Valley State** to return to the top of the MIFC, as 22 players who started at one time or another return for coach Brian Kelly. Moving the football is always a problem in the MIFC, a league which featured three of the top 10 Division II defenses a year ago. But with All-America candidate Mike Sheldon (6-5, 290) blocking for quarterback Eric Stover (1,800 yards, 16 TDs), the Lakers should be in good shape. Stover's top target is Youssef Sareini (44 catches for 843 yards and 10 TDs). The Lakers get a solid test in their season opener at Indiana.

North Dakota made it all the way to the playoff semifinals before running into Indiana. But the Fighting Sioux think they can return to the postseason, despite returning just 10 starters. One problem could be that the Sioux will be on the road for their traditionally tough conference games against North Dakota State, Northern Colorado, and Mankato State. But the return of linebacker Mike Mooney (120 tackles) and fellow All-America Brent Johnson (5 interceptions) at cornerback make the Sioux solid contenders in the NCC.

East Stroudsburg upgraded its offense in 1993 and it paid off with a 7-2-1 record. Quarterback James Franklin led the PSAC East in total offense with 230.7 yards per game. His 19 TD passes tied a school record. Fullback Steve Suttle had no trouble getting the ball in the end zone, scoring 11 times. Jason Killian, a transfer from Penn State, should take over at tailback. With offensive tackle Steve Hynes (6-4, 290) blocking, East Stroudsburg should contend with Millersville for the PSAC East title.

Coach Eric Holm has 23 players back who started for **Northeast Missouri** at one point in '93. Tailback Jarrett Anderson was the MIAA Freshman of the Year after rushing for 1,076 yards. Meko Miller had five interceptions to spark the defense.

Ashland will sport a new head coach as Gary Keller moves up from defensive coordinator to replace Dr. Fred Martinelli, who stepped down after 35 years. Keller's first challenge is to revamp a defense which lost nine starters from a 9-2 team that ranked second nationally against the rush, third in total defense, and fourth in scoring defense. Tailback Keith Weaver is looking for a third straight 1,000-yard season.

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Allegheny's great expectations include a second national championship.



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| Rowan | 18. Thomas More |
| St. John's (MN) | 19. Susquehanna |
| Augustana (IL) | 20. Maine Maritime |
| Albion | 21. Buffalo St. |
| Wisconsin-LaCrosse | 22. Coe |
| Wartburg | 23. Wittenberg |
| Wilkes | 24. Union |
| Fairleigh Dickinson | 25. Hampden-Sydney |
| Central (IA) | |

Expectations are taken in stride at Allegheny. According to head coach Ken O'Keefe, expectations come in different forms. At his school, the only thing he's concerned about "is playing as near our fullest potential as possible. If we do that, we're successful." Since O'Keefe took over as head coach in 1990, those expectations have reached a new level, while Division III has a new national contender that must be dealt with every year. O'Keefe brought a national championship to Meadville, PA, in his inaugural season, and the program has not looked back.

"When you achieve a certain level of success, there's no going back to the way it used to be," O'Keefe said. "But we've never focused on any of those things. We have never measured our success on wins and losses—or championships. I know it sounds like a cliché, but we really focus on reaching our full potential as a team."

"Our guys are hungry and expect an awful lot from themselves. We take football seriously, but they don't spend all their time working on football during the summer. We don't even have school. Our guys are not on scholarship and they have got to spend their summers working, trying to save money to pay tuition here, which is \$22,000. So, expectations vary."

Today, Allegheny is generally regarded as one of the division's premier teams, and that won't change in 1994, for the Gators are expected to return to the top. That's a position O'Keefe does not shy away from, but he knows there are a lot of obstacles to overcome to achieve national championships.

"There are a million and one factors involved," he said. "The biggest is we must stay healthy. We just don't have great players rolling off the sidelines when someone goes down. You've got to have some luck."

The Gators are 41-5-1 in the '90s and have won 80 percent of their games against nationally ranked teams. Although the '93 season ended in defeat against eventual national champ Mount Union in the playoff opener, the Gators had to be pleased with a 9-2 mark in a season that even O'Keefe figured would be spent trying to prepare a young roster for future seasons. Unfortunately for Allegheny's opponents, the same players who delivered impressive totals last season already know how to compete on the highest level.

"We've got a lot of players who have experience and know how to play championship-caliber football," O'Keefe said. "They expect to win, and the coaches, school, and the community expect big things, too."

Seven offensive starters are back from a squad that averaged more than 43 points and 450 yards per game last fall. The Gators scored 44 points or more in seven games. That list of returnees includes senior quarterback Paul Bell, who completed 59 percent of his passes in '93 and accounted for 1,467 yards in 10 regular-season games. He threw only five interceptions and chipped in with 216 rushing yards. Bell's chief target is speedy Andy McKenzie, whose 27 catches last year produced 491 yards.

Allegheny is far from a one-dimensional team. O'Keefe spreads the carries among several running backs, which is not bad strategy when you have a line that returns All-America center Brad Goe and two all-North Coast Athletic Conference tackles: Matt Allison and Jason Bendekovic. Combine that offense with a defense that returns eight starters from a unit that surrendered less than 10 points a game in '93, and there's no wonder why the expectations have never been higher at Allegheny. Eric Winslow has big-time potential.

If the Gators stumble, their Pennsylvania neighbors from Washington & Jefferson will be there to claim the top spot. And the tradition built during the 1990s alone is reason enough to believe the Presidents are ready to assume the role as national contenders. They lost just two regular-season games in the '90s. Overall, the school has won eight straight Pennsylvania Athletic Conference titles and has appeared in the NCAA playoffs five straight years. The only thing missing from the résumé is a national title. However, 16 regulars and 25 other letter-winners are back from last year's 11-1 team.

"I'm excited about the potential of this squad," head coach John Luckhardt said. "We have a chance to be competitive on a national level."

Two key players on offense are sophomores, quarterback Jason Baer and running back Jake Williams. Baer threw for 1,686 yards and 21 TDs last fall, while Williams ran for 1,109 yards and 12 touchdowns on 206 attempts. If they repeat those efforts, the Presidents should be solid. The unit that led the country in total defense, scoring defense, and rushing defense also has big-time players back.

A new team emerging as a national contender is Frostburg State of Maryland. A young Bobcat team went 10-2 a year ago and advanced to the national quarterfinals. With 17 starters returning, including 10 on offense, coach Mike McGlinchey is itching

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to get started. Frostburg averaged 33 points a game last season and senior Gilbert Telleria is back after throwing for 1,500 yards and rushing for 400 more. Receiver Ariel Bell averaged 25 yards per catch and tackle Tim Feldman is a dominating blocker. On defense, nose guard Joe Holland is the leader after making 72 tackles.

Until further notice, **Mount Union** is still the Division III champion, and it has no plans to relinquish that title easily. However, the task of trying to duplicate the 14-0 record—at least early in the year—will rest in the hands of the defense, according to coach Larry Kehres. The Raider offense returns just two regulars, so the assignment for the defense is obvious. Linebacker Dan Capozella, who was in on 122 tackles last fall, is the best of the seven returnees. Safety Mike Malchesky had 11 interceptions, and his big plays will be needed again.

Rowan, runner-up nationally in '93, will remain New Jersey's pride. Unlike Mount Union, the Profs will turn to their offense to lead the way. Seven starters return to that unit, which showed capabilities to score 70 points or more at times last year. Finding a new quarterback is a priority. Kirby Johnson, who grabbed 27 passes for 487 yards, is back to take away pressure from whomever wins the job. Despite losses on defense, the Profs have their top three tacklers back, including LeRoi Jones, who had 96 stops and five fumble recoveries.

St. John's (MN) is a perennial member of Division III's elite group, and despite losing 16 starters from a 12-1 team, the Johnnies will contend again under legendary head coach John Gagliardi. He has won 306 games, with most of those coming in 41 seasons at St. John's. Many have questioned his method of not using blocking sleds, spring practice, weightlifting, or running and hitting drills, but no one disputes the results. Fullback Matt Malmberg is back after rushing for 1,343 yards and 32 touchdowns. Despite his return, the Johnnies will be hard pressed to equal last year's output of 61.5 points per game.

The nation's second-longest winning streak (behind Mount Union's) belongs to **Augustana** (IL), which won its last seven games in '93. With nine starters back on both sides of the ball, the Vikings have a chance for big things this season. Coach Bob Reade has a .866 winning percentage in 16 seasons. The offensive keys will be running back Scott Tumilty, who gained 1,048 yards, and tackle Tim Beagle. On defense, linebacker Rusty Van Wetzling and end Dave Williams are the leaders.

Albion is expected to be the top team in the tough Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association with the return of eight defensive starters from a 10-1 squad. Linemen Jim Heaslip and D.J. Redhberg gave opposing offenses fits last year. Across the

line, the running tandem of Jeff Robinson, who scored 20 touchdowns, and Gabe Cooper will lead the way. The missing piece in the puzzle may be at quarterback, where an untested player must step forward.

Wisconsin-La Crosse coach Roger Harring said his team should be able to "line" up against any foe this year. His offensive line, a talented group that provided the punch needed to produce 426 yards each week, is back almost intact. The unit should help break in inexperienced backfield personnel. Only four starters are back on defense, yet Harring is confident with linebackers Shayne Gauthier and Matt Spellman heading an aggressive unit.

Wartburg coach Bob Nielson is excited about his team's chances of being a top 10-caliber team. He posted a 9-2 mark in '93 and will be counting on a balanced offensive attack to get even better. The Knights rushed for 1,898 yards and passed for 1,902 last season. With four linemen and the entire backfield returning, they will make life miserable again for Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference foes. Quarterback Mike Elijan and running back Bobby Beatty are key players. Defensive back Chad Klunder is as good as they get at the position.

Wilkes won the Middle Atlantic Conference with a 10-1 overall mark and returns five starters on each side of the ball. The defense allowed only 7.3 points per game. Quarterback Boo Perry, who threw for 2,200 yards, could carry his team far into the playoffs. Meanwhile, **Fairleigh Dickinson**, 8-3 last year, is loaded with returnees (57 letter-winners, including 16 regulars and all the specialty players). The key will be finding a quarterback.

The Flying Dutchmen of **Central** are always competitive in the Iowa Conference and have competed in eight of the last 10 playoffs. Six offensive starters, including tackle Jeff Helle, are back along with seven defensive starters.

Lycoming could be the nation's surprise team. The Warriors were 6-4 last year, but the four losses were by a total of nine points. Eleven starters are back on a defense that forced 42 turnovers, and six regulars are back on offense.

Kalamazoo has high hopes as 16 starters, including nine on defense, are back from a squad that went 7-2.

Carnegie-Mellon pins its hopes on its offense, which was 10th in the nation in scoring (37 points per outing), and especially on quarterback Chris Dee, who passed for 1,621 yards and 16 touchdowns. The Tartans were 8-2 last year.

Eight is a magic number at **Trinity** (CT). The Bantams were 8-0 and return eight starters. Their multi-flex offense produced more than 30 points in all but one game.

Thomas More seeks its fourth straight Association of Midwest Colleges title, and 57

ALL-AMERICA TEAM

OFFENSE

QB Boo Perry, Wilkes
RB Corey Bender, Coe
RB Matt Malmberg, St. John's
WR Sammy Williams, Defiance
WR Vic Mancato, Fairleigh Dickinson
TE Aaron Neal, Carnegie-Mellon
OL Brad Goe, Allegheny
OL Sean Lyons, Wabash
OL Jeff Helle, Central
OL James Hickey, Susquehanna
OL Tim Feldman, Frostburg St.
PK Chris Merski, Allegheny

DEFENSE

DL Robert Hull, Washington & Lee
DL Jelani Rucker, John Hopkins
DL Matt Szczydinski, Washington & Jefferson
DL Jeff Borgiel, Montclair St.
LB LeRoi Jones, Rowan
LB Dan Capozella, Mount Union
LB Garven Hadden, William Patterson
DB Randy Simpson, Wisconsin-Stevens Point
DB Krumie Mabry, Alfred
DB Chris Jones, Colorado College
DB Greg Schramm, Trinity
P Tomek Miller, Redlands

lettermen, including 14 starters, should make the Rebels the team to beat.

Susquehanna is another member of the superb Pennsylvania Division III delegation. Having 18 starters back from last year's club speaks for itself.

Maine Maritime looks to get some overdue respect following an 8-1 season that was overlooked last year. Seventeen starters are back from that team.

Buffalo State flirted with greatness, posting an 8-2 mark. Many of the key performers are among the 15 starters who return.

Coe has won 35 of 39 regular-season games in the '90s, but a major rebuilding task is ahead after 15 seniors were lost to graduation. The Kohawks, however, have running back Carey Bender, who rushed for 1,831 yards and added 626 more in receiving. He could make Coe a contending force.

Wittenberg could also surprise after quietly posting a 9-1 mark a year ago. Eight offensive and six defensive starters are back with winning experience.

Union is another team that seems to win regardless of the situation, having posted a 32-4 record in the '90s. If the trend is to continue, the offense will have to carry a defensive unit that lost nine starters.

Experience should make a difference for **Hampden-Sydney**. The Tigers were 6-4 last year, but the losses were by a total of 20 points. Defense is the secret to winning close games, and 10 starters return to their defensive unit along with seven on offense.

Other teams to watch: Millikin, Moravian, John Carroll, Stony Brook, Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Montclair State, Wabash, Johns Hopkins, Defiance, Anderson, Wesleyan, Plymouth State, Dickinson, and Ithaca. □

Junior College Report

by TONY JIMENEZ

● Cody Lee Smith of Mt. San Antonio, CA, is from the left coast, where sun, fast-paced living, and quarterbacks who love to pass are a way of life. Brian Knuckles of Coffeyville, KS, is from middle America, where four distinct seasons, a slower-paced lifestyle, and running backs are the norm. Smith, the best quarterback coming back to the national junior college ranks, and Knuckles, the top running back from the nation's 155 junior colleges, are as different as the way they move a football. Color California and Smith pass-happy; color Kansas and Knuckles run-happy.

"The main reason it's like that is the weather," said Mt. San Antonio offensive coordinator Tom Maher. "We have a lot less of the elements to deal with." Coffeyville coach Skip Foster explained his side. "With our weather so unpredictable, it's better to have a good running game," he said. "We recruit running backs hard in Kansas. You can't win without a good one."

After last season, a number of major colleges went west, to California jucos for their quarterback needs. Georgia Tech's only JC recruit was Tom Luginbill of Palomar. Kentucky got Mark Williams from Diablo Valley and Pittsburgh got Sean Fitzgerald from L.A. Valley. "Major colleges rarely take quarterbacks, because it usually takes them a couple of years to teach them what they need and then work them into their system," said Hank Ives of JC Grid Wire.

"The running game's better because there's more action," said Knuckles, a hard-as-rock 6-1, 205-pounder. "I remember watching Barry Sanders and Emmitt Smith on TV and saying, 'Wow! I want to be like those guys.'" Knuckles will get his chance. He is moving from a running back factory at Coffeyville to another at Nebraska. He has a chance to be the biggest impact juco running back at Nebraska since Mike Rozier, who was at Coffeyville 1980 and won the Heisman Trophy at Nebraska in 1983.

Knuckles, a Charlotte, NC, native who can power over or speed by folks, burst onto the juco scene in 1992 with a 1,543-yard, 23-touchdown All-America freshman season. He had a pair of 242-yard games and one game of 237 yards and five touchdowns. Last fall, he had a 267-yard game, gaining one more yard than he had as a freshman despite playing at times with a shoulder injury and a fractured little finger. He finished with 3,087 yards in two years.

"During his sophomore season he was a marked man, but he responded well," said Foster. "That's what helps put him in a league with Rozier. He became a more physical player, just taking it straight at people. He's comparable to Rozier in the way they run. We had confidence after Mike left here that he'd be in the NFL. We feel the same way about Brian. I'd be surprised if he's not in the NFL."

Smith, who attended the University of the Pacific his first year out of Crespi High School in Encino, already has scholarship

offers from San Diego State, Brigham Young, and Kansas State, despite playing only five games last season after breaking his left arm. He completed 101 of 158 passes for 1,489 yards and 13 touchdowns, but his size, field sense, ability to throw the ball 65-70 yards almost effortlessly, and understanding of the game convinced those who matter most that he was a keeper.

Smith, a strapping 6-3, 235-pounder, may never have gotten where he is had his father not eased up on him while he was playing Pop Warner football. During a ride home and some constructive criticism after one practice, a tearful Cody Lee said, "Dad, don't I do anything right?" Stunned, Darryl said, "Cody, sometimes dads are idiots. I'm sorry." Since then Smith's been having fun and keeping his can't-miss future in perspective.

TOP JUCOS MOVING ON

Player	pos.	ht.	wt.	junior college	college
Derek Barton	OL	6-7	285	San Bernardino Valley, CA	California
Phillip Benton	LB	6-3	248	NW Mississippi	Georgia
Gordon Brown	DB	5-9	165	Hutchinson, KS	Kansas State
Jason Cain	K/P	5-11	185	East Central, MS	Louisiana Tech
Daymon Carter	RB	6-2	210	San Francisco, CA	Kentucky
Perez Davis	OL	6-6	330	Garden City, KS	Clemson
Jimmy Dean	WR	5-11	180	Butler County, KS	Kansas State
Ray Eagle	DL	6-4	285	Garden City, KS	Kansas State
James Elliot	RB	6-0	240	Garden City, KS	Oklahoma State
Brad Ford	DB	6-0	180	Fresno, CA	Alabama
Gilbert Grant	WR	6-0	180	Mesa, AZ	Georgia
Johnny Harper	DB	5-11	180	De Anza, CA	San Jose State
Albert Jackson	DL	6-3	260	Nassau, NY	Wisconsin
Keyshawn Jackson	WR	6-5	200	W. Los Angeles	Southern Cal
Tim Johnson	OL	6-5	292	Jones, MS	Florida State
Brian Knuckles	RB	6-1	205	Coffeyville, KS	Nebraska
Darrell Larsen	TE	6-6	242	Dixie, UT	Wisconsin
Tom Luginbill	QB	6-1	175	Palomar, CA	Georgia Tech
Tyrone Marshall	DB	6-0	188	Trinity Valley, TX	Brigham Young
Orpheus Royce	DL	6-6	285	Jones, MS	Florida State
Coswell Sims	WR	5-9	165	Georgia Military	Louisville
Damon Terrell	WR	6-3	220	El Camino, CA	Arizona
Scott von der Ahe	LB	6-1	235	Saddleback, CA	Iowa
Larry Williams	DL	6-3	268	Mississippi Delta	Mississippi St.
Pat Williams	DL	6-3	275	Navarro, TX	Texas A&M

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Tommy Blackmon	WR	5-11	180	Navarro, TX
Jeff Clayton	RB	6-0	200	Orange Coast, CA
Odell Collins	RB	6-2	235	Merced, CA
Josh Davis	DL	6-3	303	NE Oklahoma A&M
Keith Drayton	DL	6-2	290	Northwest Mississippi
Donnie Embra	DL	6-4	270	NE Oklahoma A&M
Jason Ferguson	DL	6-4	310	Itawamba, MS
Shad Hinchey	DB	6-0	175	Saddleback, CA
Eric Hines-Tucker	RB	5-9	195	Jones, MS
Essex Law	RB	6-1	220	Butler County, KS
Frank Middleton	DL	6-4	300	Fort Scott, KS
Nathan Parks	OL	6-8	285	Butte, CA
Dameon Porter	WR	6-1	165	Palomar, CA
Glen Russell	OL	6-4	270	Southwest Mississippi
Poncho Sales	LB	6-0	215	Coffeyville, KS
Steve Sarkisian	QB	6-2	195	El Camino, CA
Mike Sellers	LB	6-4	235	Walla Walla, WA
Kerry Siverand	DB	6-0	175	Navarro, TX
Cody Lee Smith	QB	6-3	235	Mt. San Antonio, CA
Derek Smith	LB	6-2	225	Snow, UT
Sam Tagaloa	OL	6-4	290	San Francisco, CA
Henry Thomas	DL	6-3	260	Hutchinson, KS
Diamond Wilkins	WR	6-2	180	San Bernardino, CA
Aaron Woods	DB	5-11	190	Ellsworth, IA

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EAST DIVISION

FLORIDA

Few teams have been successful stopping Florida's potent offense since Steve Spurrier's arrival in Gainesville. Just ask West Virginia, which entered last year's Sugar Bowl unbeaten but departed with a 41-7 loss. But the Gator offense was stopped recently, and Spurrier felt good about the result—for it was the Florida defense that caused the problem. Now the Gator defenders are aiming to have the same effect on opposing teams.

While the Florida offense has generally played to rave reviews, the defense has known its difficult days. Those days may have ended. In spring drills, the Gators unveiled a new alignment, the multiple-40, which has a base 4-3-4 look and utilizes nickelbackers. It appears the change will be worth much more than five cents to Florida's hopes of defending its SEC title. Just how much improvement has the Florida defense



TERRY DEAN Florida

Jay Metz

shown? In the spring's final scrimmage the offense—a Steve Spurrier offense, remember—failed to score until goal-line work at day's end. The defensive switch could finally lead the Gators not only to a third straight SEC East Division crown and second consecutive SEC title and Sugar Bowl berth, but to a loftier goal: the national championship.

Certainly, defense isn't the Gators' only strength. The offense remains a score-from-anywhere-at-any-time threat. There are several all-star candidates on the roster and the reserve strength is the best in the league. Combine those factors with seven home games and a 23-1 home record since Spurrier's arrival (the only loss coming to Florida State last season), and that leads to huge expectations. Five regulars are back on offense, but the talent pool is deep. On defense, there are eight returning starters and



KEVIN CARTER
Florida

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6. Mississippi

*SEC Champion

a new attitude and more aggressive approach. The toughest part of the Gators' season is a pair of difficult road games: Tennessee on September 17 and Florida State on November 26.

Ben Hanks and Darren Hambrick should become popular with Gator fans as the starter nickelbackers. The defensive front will feature ends Kevin Carter and Mark Campbell, with the tackle spots going to Ellis Johnson and Henry McMillian. At linebacker, the Gators will be led by Dexter Daniels and James Bates. The secondary is among the best in the league with Larry Kennedy, Anthony Lott, Lawrence Wright, and Michael Gil-

more starting.

From that group, Carter and Kennedy are sure all-SEC candidates with others expected to get a lot of attention.

There's more. Florida has not one but two armed and dangerous quarterbacks returning: Terry Dean and Danny Wuerffel. They shared starting duty a year ago and it appears they will split time again this season, although Dean enters fall workouts as No. 1.

Both are proven players. Errict Rhett is gone but there are four tailbacks ready to replace him in Tony Davis, Elijah Williams, Tyrone Baker, and Terrence Foy. At fullback are Chris Bilkie, Dwayne Mobley, and Jerome Evans. The offensive line is solid, anchored by all-SEC candidate Reggie Green and Jason Odom at tackle. Guards are Jeff Mitchell and Donnie Young, with David Swain set at center. A battle is on for the starting tight end, with Shawn Nunn, Taras Ross, and walk-on Tremayne Allen in the hunt. Of course the spotlight position for Florida is receiver, and all-SEC candidate Jack Jackson leads the way. Aubrey Hill, Chris Doering, and Sorola Palmer provide ample help, but with six all-star freshmen signed, don't be surprised to find a couple of the youngsters contributing as well.

As though Florida isn't deep enough, Lou Groza Award winner Judd Davis returns at place-kicker and Shayne Edge is back as the punter.

TENNESSEE

Heath Shuler, the Heisman Trophy runner-up, decided to leave the Vols a year early and join the NFL. That decision probably helped Tennessee land Peyton Manning, one of the nation's most highly recruited preps. The son of former Ole Miss All-America Archie Manning is expected to make a strong bid for the starting job. Just how the Vols' quarterback position develops could be a key in how their season develops.

It would be easy to consider Tennessee's losses—not only is Shuler gone but so are tailback Charlie Garner, receivers Cory Fleming and Craig Faulkner, and six defensive starters from a year ago—and term this a rebuilding season. Not so. There is plenty of talent in Big Orange Country again. Without a doubt, whoever wins the starting quarterback job will be well-protected. Tennessee boasts the best offensive line in the league, perhaps the best in the land. For

JOHN BECKSVOORT *Tennessee*



sheer athletic talent, Tennessee can match any team. The Vols could give Florida a strong challenge in the East.

It starts up front on the offensive line, where every starter returns. Center Bubba Miller is an all-SEC candidate, as are guard Jeff Smith and tackle Jason Layman. Rejoining them are guard Kevin Mays, tackle Leslie Ratliffe, and tight end David Horn. Manning creates interest and competition for senior Jerry Colquitt and junior Todd Helton. At tailback, James Stewart has plenty of talent and the Vols have plenty of depth (Aaron Hayden, Jay Graham). Mose Phillips and Eric Lane should fill the fullback role. Yet another all-SEC candidate, kicker John Becksvoort, is back.

On defense, it's more of the same for Tennessee. All-SEC candidate Ben Talley is back at linebacker with Scott Galyon and George Kidd. The secondary is loaded with all-SEC candidate Jason Parker at free safety and cornerbacks DeRon Jenkins and Ronald Davis. But the key will be the play of the line. Shane Burton moves from offense to defensive end opposite Steve White. Cory Stone and Leland Taylor are set at the tackles. Raymond Austin fills in the other backfield slot. Punter Tom Hutton returns with a 40-yard average.

The schedule could present some problems for the Vols. As in the past, they must play well early to put themselves in contending position late in the season. Tennessee opens with a trip to UCLA, then visits Georgia before hosting Florida and returning to the road to meet Mississippi State. If the Vols can get past that portion of the schedule, they should be on their way to the SEC championship game.

GEORGIA

The Bulldogs remain a mystery. Although there have been good recruiting classes in recent years and talent on the roster, especially at the skill positions, Georgia has failed to produce the type of record expected in recent seasons. The heat is building on head coach Ray Goff. Perhaps the biggest change at Georgia is on the sideline, where four new coaches will try to help Goff turn around the Bulldogs' disappointing 5-6 record of a year ago. Marion Campbell, the former head coach of the Atlanta Falcons, takes over as defensive coordinator. Greg Davis, former Tulane head coach and quarterback coach at Texas A&M, will be in charge of the Dawgs' quarterbacks. Steve Dennis returns to his alma mater as secondary coach and David Kelly joins the staff as running backs coach.

Georgia's offense begins with Z, as in Eric Zeier. Last season, when Goff turned him loose, Zeier put up impressive numbers. The senior all-SEC and Heisman candidate, who holds 61 school and 11 SEC records, completed 63 percent of his attempts last fall for more than 3,500 yards and 24 touchdowns. Zeier will have to work without all-conference tight end Shannon Mitchell and All-America tackle Bernard Williams, but he'll have help. Tailback Terrell Davis is back

along with all-SEC Brice Hunter and fellow receiver Hason Graham. David Weeks returns at center, Steve Roberts and Troy Stark at guard, and Adam Meadows at tackle. Georgia finished third in the league in total offense and second in passing offense, but was last in rushing, an area that traditionally has been a strength. Goff has said that improving the running attack is a priority. Although Zeier had success throwing the ball, his effectiveness was hampered because of a lack of a running attack.

Another area of concern is defense, where Georgia was last in the SEC against the rush and 11th in total defense, allowing 381 yards per game. That's where Campbell comes in. He must focus attention on the problems at the line of scrimmage and make the Bulldogs a more aggressive unit. Five starters are back: tackle Matt Storm, all-league inside linebacker Randall Godfrey, and backs Carlos Yancy, Ralph Thompson, and Buster Owens. There are even a couple of other experienced linemen returning. Travis Jones returns from a kidney disorder that kept him out last fall. Jeff Kaiser, who missed last season with a knee injury, is also



ERIC ZEIER *Georgia*

back. Phillip Daniels, who started at tackle last season, has been moved to outside linebacker in hopes of filling a void left by the loss of Mitch Davis and Carlo Butler. Another former tackle, Derrick Smith, will probably get the other outside linebacker post. In the secondary, Will Muschamp, Robert Edwards, Alandus Sims, and Erik Robinson will vie for the remaining spot and provide the Bulldogs with perhaps their deepest unit. Place-kicker Kanon Parkman returns and Brett Pellock looks to take over the punting chores for Scot Armstrong.

One of Georgia's problems in the past has been a slow start, and this season could be trouble. The biggest challenge will come on the road, where the Dawgs must play Alabama, Florida, and Auburn. Three of the final four games are on the road.

KENTUCKY

There is excitement in Kentucky and there are questions. There is progress and there is close-but-no-cigar. That leaves the Wildcats improved, yet with more ground to cover. Last season they posted a 6-6 mark in a year that was inconsistent. For example, Kentucky won four of its first six games last fall, including victories over Ole Miss (shutout), South Carolina, and LSU. The Cats also led Florida with three seconds to play, fell to Clemson by one point in the Peach Bowl (14-13), and got as far as the Georgia 28 before suffering an interception with nine seconds to play in a 33-28 loss.

Kentucky has talent—there's sophomore all-SEC running back Moe Williams and free safety Melvin Johnson—yet there are also questions. Starting quarterback Pookie Jones may opt to play professional baseball and skip his final season of eligibility. Fourteen starters are back, but there are some key spots to fill. The Cats' recruiting class was ranked No. 13 in the country, but some of those players may be forced into action before they are ready. Last season, six freshmen, including Williams, played extensively. This year, the Wildcats will look to junior college signees to help right away—and perhaps some freshmen, too. This could be the season Kentucky has wanted and needed for several seasons, or it could be another disappointment.

Defensively, coordinator Mike Archer, the former LSU head coach, has Kentucky headed in the right direction. Offensively, the Cats are returning to a stack-I formation following a two-year absence, but will add

candidates. Regardless, Williams and Carter will get the football a lot and returning starter Damon Hood at fullback will also be a key. On the line, four starters are gone, including tackle Chris Page, who is being forced out because of a herniated disc. Tackles Mark Askin and Aaron Purdie are the most experienced players. Split end Randy Wyatt is back, but he caught only 13 passes all season. Sophomore flanker Jaysuma Simms caught just two. At tight end, three players will vie for the starting nod. Place-kicker Nicky Nickels hit four of six field goals last fall, but none was more than 34 yards. He'll be challenged by Brian Sivinski.

End Howard Carter and tackle Robert Stinson lead the way up front on defense. Linebacker David Snardon will offer some experience, as will cornerback Steven Hall and free safety Melvin Johnson. Again, young players and juco transfers must help immediately. Dan Ariza is the punter. City College of San Francisco will open a branch office in Lexington with four former CCSF standouts playing for the Cats. Carter is the most notable but quarterback Gray, cornerback Reggie Rusk, and free safety George Harris all have potential.

The schedule could create some problems. The Cats open the season against rival Louisville, a school it hasn't played in football in 70 years, followed by a road trip to Florida. After two home games, it's back on the road to face Auburn and LSU. They finish the year at Tennessee.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The Gamecocks have a new coach, a new attitude, a new defensive alignment, and a new chance to better their standing in the SEC. They also have some of the troubles that have plagued them in the past. Brad Scott takes over a team that posted an upset of Georgia in its '93 season opener and then lost seven of its next 10 games, including the final three. Smith, the former offensive coordinator at national champ Florida State, was hired to breathe life into the offense—and to win. South Carolina hasn't had a winning record since 1990 and is coming off a season in which the Gamecocks ranked 11th in the league in rushing offense and 10th in scoring and rushing defense. Just like last season, their final three games pit them against Tennessee, Florida, and Clemson, the last two on the road.

There is clay with which Scott can mold a challenge. He has all-SEC running back Brandon Bennett back, as well as quarterback Steve Taneyhill. In fact, there are seven returning starters on offense, including the top three receivers (Toby Cates, Mike Reddick, and Bennett) and four linemen. Tight end Boomer Foster is back along with guard James Dexter, center Vincent Dinkins, and tackle Luther Dixon. Look for the Gamecocks to become more aggressive on offense, taking a few more chances under Scott in an attempt to make things happen. Taneyhill has the arm to supply points (more than 1,900 yards passing last fall), but he also has a tendency to overthrow (6 TD passes and 14 interceptions). Bennett is a double threat because he is an excellent runner (853 yards) and receiver (282 yards), Joe Troupe, Cleon Jones Jr., Reddick, and

Stanley Pritchett offer help at running back and fullback. Monty Means, Calvin Owens, and Corey Bridges aid the receiving corps. The line should be improved and more experienced this season.

Six starters return on defense, led by all-star candidate Stacy Evans at end and tackle David Turnipseed, who missed the second half of last season because of finger surgery. Nose guard Eric Sullivan is a key asset. The secondary is led by cornerback Ron Nealy and strong safety Tony Watkins while the linebackers are anchored by James Flowers. Changes are planned on the unit, which will also take a more aggressive approach and a bit of risk-taking aimed at trying to make something happen. Coordinator Wally Burnham will line the Gamecocks in the 4-3, a defense better suited to



BARRY LUNNEY JR. Arkansas

stop the run. The plan is to attack whenever possible, with the use of three linebackers (instead of two) lined up inside the tackles to help create that pressure. The alignment also allows the Gamecocks to make quicker adjustments to opposing offenses. Look for the secondary to employ a lot of man-to-man coverage.

Some young players will have to step forward to add depth. If the Gamecocks get such help, they will be an improved team.

VANDERBILT

It's the same old story for the Commodores: Expectations are high, prognostications are not. Head coach Gerry DiNardo's run-oriented offensive approach has enjoyed only spot success in his three previous seasons at the helm. The numbers seem to stack up against the Commodores. Last season Vandy was 1-7 in the SEC, 4-7 overall (non-conference victories against Wake Forest, Cincinnati, and Navy). It was also last in total offense, passing offense, and scoring offense; 11th in passing defense and scoring defense and ninth in total defense. There is obvious room for improvement. There's more. Only four seniors are on the roster, a mere 25 lettermen are back, and DiNardo will push seven redshirt freshmen into duty



SAM SHADE Alabama

multiple formations in an attempt to create more options. The move is aimed at taking advantage of the skills of Williams and juco transfer Daymon Carter, who broke all of O.J. Simpson's rushing records at City College of San Francisco.

If Jones returns, Kentucky's offense will be more versatile. If not, it opens up a four-man race, with Jeff Speedy, Matt Hobbie, and juco transfer Eric Gray the leading can-

on defense alone. The 11 starters who return must step up their play.

The schedule will not help. Four of the first six games are on the road, including three consecutive road trips. What's more, they must end the year against Florida and Tennessee, both at home. Yet there is this: DiNardo's 13-20 mark at Vandy represents the most victories in a three-year period since the 1982-84 seasons, and DiNardo's teams have won at least four games each season in that span, the first time that has happened since 1973-75.

Sophomore quarterback Ronnie Gordon will probably lead the I-bone attack, although junior college transfer Ed DeMesa could challenge. Gordon started the final four games, led Vandy to a 2-2 mark in that span, and collected 400 yards passing, 139 rushing, and four touchdowns. DeMesa passed for more than 1,200 yards and 10 TDs last fall. Redshirt freshman Marcus Lewis could also figure into the mix. Eric Lewis, known mainly as a small but solid blocker, returns at wingback. He averaged 7.9 yards per carry but had just 22 carries. Cliff Deese, a two-year backup, is expected to start at tailback and Royce Love will return to fullback. Tackle Owen Neil, center Richard



WILLIE WHITEHEAD Auburn

Saenz, and tight end Robert Couch are all returning starters but the backups are inexperienced. Kenny Simon, who switched from quarterback to split end in the middle of the season, will get help from Sanford Ware, Gabe Banks, and Bobby Jackson.

Inexperience will dominate the defense. Only tackles James Manley and Brian Boykin, linebacker Gerald Collins, and strong safety Eric Vance return to their starting positions. The unit will be built around Collins, an all-star candidate. After the four returnees the Vandy defensive roster is young. The key will be finding a pair of ends to help supply pressure, as was the case last year, when the Commodores set a school record with 29 sacks. Steve Yenner (8 of 13 field goals, including a 53-yarder against Auburn) and punter Bill Marinangel (36.5-yard average) are back.

WEST DIVISION

AUBURN

Improbable best describes the Tigers' 11-0 record and No. 4 national ranking in the final Associated Press poll last season. The same word could also be used in response to a proposed repeat performance this fall. Improbable, not impossible. Not after last season. There are several reasons Auburn will have a shot at repeating as the team with the best league record. It is strong in the secondary and at linebacker. On offense, there is a solid group of receivers, depth at tight end, and talent on the line. In all, 15 starters are back from a year ago. There are also a few question marks. One thing remains the same, however: The Tigers, in the final year of a two-year NCAA probation, are not eligible to win the conference title or participate in postseason play.

The most apparent changes are in the offensive backfield, where every starter was lost. Redshirt freshman quarterback Dameyune Craig should get lots of attention. He is a creative, elusive player with a strong arm, quick feet, and an ability to turn a loss into a gain. Craig's lack of experience may favor junior Patrick Nix, who enters fall drills as the starter. Nix has played only briefly in two seasons as Stan White's backup, throwing fewer than 30 passes. He is solid but unproven and lacks Craig's flashiness. Junior Stephen Davis, selected the national prep offensive player of the year back in 1991, figures to step in at tailback, replacing James Bostic, who skipped to the NFL. Davis will be pushed by junior Roymon Malcolm. At fullback, junior Harold Morrow and soph Demond Fields lead the way.

All-SEC candidate Frank Sanders and Thomas Bailey are the Tigers' top wide receivers, with Willie Goshia, Tyrone Goodson, and Robert Scott adding depth. Three players will get playing time at tight end: juniors Andy Fuller and Derrick Dorn and sophomore Jessie McCovery. All-SEC candidate Jason Taylor heads the line along with center Shannon Roubique. Sophomore starter Willie Anderson moves from guard to tackle.

Auburn's secondary is loaded, so much so that former honors candidate Fred Smith, who missed all of last season with a knee injury, may have trouble cracking the starting lineup. The group is led by all-SEC cornerback Chris Shelling and potential all-star Calvin Jackson, one of the best cover guys in the league. Brian Robinson starts at free safety and Otis Mounds at strong safety. At linebacker, the Tigers feature Jason Miska, a walk-on who led the team in tackles last fall, and Anthony Harris. Terry Solomon and Marcellus Mostella also figure in the plans. All-SEC candidate Willie Whitehead fills one end with Alonzo Etheridge slated for the other. The position has good depth. Along the line, all-SEC candidate Mike Pelton is at one tackle, with Gary Walker and Ramon Luster pushing for the other. All-America candidate Terry Daniel returns as the punter but the Tigers are looking for a place-kicker, perhaps freshman Kevin Gentle or returnee Matt Hawkins.

Auburn's biggest obstacle could be its schedule, which features most of its key games—Ole Miss, Florida, and Alabama—on the road. All three of those were home victories a year ago.

ALABAMA

The Crimson Tide has built a strong reputation on defense over the years, and this year's unit is not expected to bring any dishonor to that tradition. Alabama will be a tough team to score against. Offensively, there are some questions and some holes that must be filled.

In an effort to answer the questions and come up with a solution to the problems, the school brought back offensive coordinator Homer Smith, who spent the previous four seasons at UCLA. When last at Alabama, Smith had the Tide's offense clicking with Gary Hollingsworth at quarterback. Smith's first decision will be to decide on who will call the signals. Alabama has three choices: senior Jay Barker (who missed all of spring drills because of reconstructive knee surgery), junior Brian Burgdorf (who received most of the work during spring and was the MVP of the Gator Bowl), and sophomore Freddie Kitchens (who underwent shoulder surgery following spring practice). Each has good qualities and ability. Barker, because of his experience and leadership would be the first choice. Once a quarterback is selected, he will be forced to play behind a line that has only one returning starter—and that player, Jon Stevenson, has been moved from guard to center. There is talent, just a lack of returning starters.

The receiving positions will also be without key personnel. David Palmer and Kevin Lee, both second-round NFL draft picks, are gone and will be missed. Taking their places will be Toderick Malone, Curtis Brown, and Chad Key. The biggest loss is Palmer, a player who could turn a four-yard catch into a 50-yard TD routinely. The other skill positions are in good shape. Tight end Tony Johnson returns with Patrick Hape as backup. Sherman Williams, an elusive runner, will step in at tailback with Brian Steger also making waves at the position. Tarrant Lynch will be the fullback, with Taurus Turner offering assistance.

Defense is the Tide's pride, for good reason. The secondary is talented and hard-hitting, led by all-SEC candidate Sam Shade at strong safety. Tommy Johnson has all-star potential at cornerback and Willie Gaston is a proven player. Cedric Samuel will probably step into the vacancy created by the loss of Antonio Langham. The linebacker spots are also loaded, led by Michael Rogers inside and Darrell Blackburn outside. The ends are also solid with Elverett Brown and Dameian Jeffries. Shannon Brown will be the nose guard. Alabama is also set at its kicking positions, with all-star candidates Bryne Diehl at punter and Michael Proctor returning as place-kicker.

The Crimson Tide may not be polished at the start, but its schedule will allow for development. Alabama plays five of its first six games at home. A road trip to Tennessee on October 15 begins the final stretch that includes two other away games (LSU and Mississippi State).

ARKANSAS

Improvement was what Danny Ford promised when he took over the Razorback program, and he got it, although admittedly it developed much slower than he anticipated. By the end of the year, Arkansas was

showing progress. The Razorbacks defeated LSU, 42-24, in Baton Rouge in the season finale, the school's first-ever victory there. They also defeated Georgia (20-10) for the first time ever last fall and they finished 5-5-1. While Ford has Razorback fans excited about the progress of the team, he will get excited if he is able to find some quality players to fill some key vacancies.

The biggest change could be on offense, where Arkansas was dismal last season—finishing next-to-last in scoring offense and ninth in total offense. Left-handed junior quarterback Barry Lunney Jr., who also pitches for the baseball team, passed for more than 1,200 yards in an option attack last fall. Behind Lunney will be returning starters Oscar Malone at tailback and Oscar Gray at fullback. Depth is a key here, with Marius Johnson backing up Malone and Carlton Calvin pushing Gray for a starting spot. Both Malone and Johnson have shown flashes of game-breaking talent and Ford will put the ball in their hands often. On the line, Arkansas has a few problems. Only guard Pat Baker and tackle Verl Mitchell are returning regulars, although center Earl Scott has some experience. Some young, raw players must step forward. All-star candidate J.J. Meadors, the Razorbacks' big-play man, is back at flanker. Others to watch are split ends Kotto Cotton and James Perry. Carl Johnson is expected to be the starting tight end after a redshirt season. Kevin Hile and Mark Baker add depth.

On defense, Arkansas has steadily shown its muscle and this year it features some top players. Nose guard Junior Soli, an all-conference candidate, starts things up front with help from Marcus Adair at end and Vernon Wade at tackle. The remainder of the Razorbacks' defense will need some big-play help. Gone are Henry Ford, Orlando Watterson, and Darwin Ireland. There is little experience at linebacker and the development of Mark Smith, Trent Knapp, Willie Johnson, and Anthony Hicks will be a key to the unit's success. Cornerback Dean Peevy and free safety Carl Kidd, both all-star candidates, head the secondary. The kicking game was a disappointment last year (a missed extra point cost the Razorbacks a victory against Mississippi State). Punter Matt Waite leads that race with David Boulware the place-kicker going into fall drills.

The Razorbacks have five road games, but their nonconference schedule (SMU, at Memphis State and Northern Illinois) should help and they play Alabama, LSU, and Ole Miss at home.

LOUISIANA STATE

Athletic director Joe Dean informed LSU fans last season that Curley Hallman's job was not in jeopardy. When the Bengal Tigers defeated then-No. 5 Alabama, 17-13, right on the heels of a 19-17 victory over Ole Miss, the questions stopped. That was last season. With five starters lost on offense and five more gone from the defensive unit, LSU again faces a difficult year. There have been highly rated recruiting classes, but the majority of those players have not produced as expected—yet.

LSU's road is made even more difficult this year with a tough early schedule that features meetings with Texas A&M, Missis-

sippi State, Auburn, and Florida in its first five games. The games against Auburn and Florida are on the road. The recruiting classes have started producing results but not as rapidly as expected. In fact, the Tigers' once-loaded running-back contingent has been dramatically trimmed. The pressure returns—as though it ever really relaxed—to Hallman's shoulders on September 3, when the Tigers entertain Texas A&M, and will stay there until LSU produces as its fans expect—or the pressure will probably switch to someone else's shoulders.

Offensively, the only running backs to watch will be tailback Robert Toomer and backup David Butler. They will run the ball. The fullbacks, Brandon Stelly and Andre Guerin, will have two purposes, blocking and pass receiving, allowing LSU to skip the two-tight-end approach in favor of an extra receiver. The receivers are led by sophomore all-SEC candidate Eddie Kennison, who is a big-play threat. He has great speed and good hands and was the player LSU turned to most when it needed to make something happen. Senior flanker Brett Bech can also help, with Sheddric Wilson and Todd Burks expected to get plenty of playing time. Sophomore tight end David LeFleur caught only eight passes a year ago, but he is a key blocker and important cog in the attack.

Junior quarterback Jamie Howard will be the man in charge of the offense, the player who will be entrusted with getting the ball to Toomer, Kennison, Wilson, and Bech. He is improved and at times has been quite effective, but he lacks consistency. Casey Taber will be Howard's backup. Maybe. LSU fans are excited about the arrival of freshman Josh Booty, selected last season's national prep player of the year. Booty passed for more than 11,700 yards and 128 TDs in high school. On the line, tackle Marcus Price is back along with guard Ben Bordelon to help clear a path for LSU's skill-position players.

Defense holds the key. Last season, the Tigers allowed opponents 28 points per game. If that continues, the heat on Hallman and the rest of the team will be intense. The unit is anchored by an experienced secondary that features strong safety Ivory Hilliard and returning starters Tory James and Rodney Young. James Gillyard is back at left end, flanked by tackle Nate Miller. Middle linebacker Mike Calais is also back. LSU coaches have said that their plan this fall is to turn their efforts more toward reaction and applying pressure at the line of scrimmage than toward reading the opponents' offense. Andre Lafleur appears to be the place-kicker and Burt Barrere the punter.

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Expectations are again high in Starkville, just as they were a year ago, when the Bulldogs began the season positioned in the top 25, only to finish with a 3-6-2 overall mark and a 2-5-1 SEC record. MSU lost four of its first five games last year and had to settle for a tie with Arkansas State on homecoming. A season-ending victory over rival Ole Miss, a good spring practice, and 18 returning starters (10 on offense) have Bulldog fans eagerly awaiting the fall. And expecting more successful results. The schedule isn't overly difficult and Mississippi State's roster has

some talent. Still, the disappointment of last season lingers. The Bulldogs need to get off to a good start.

Offensively, that may be easier this year. The line not only returns intact, it is huge. Ten of the 16 linemen on the spring depth chart weigh at least 300 pounds. Center Brian Anderson, a mere 278, anchors the group and is an all-conference candidate. He is joined by guards Jason Wisner and Henry McCann and tackles Melvin Hayes and Jesse James. There is more experience at wide receiver with Chris Jones and Bernard Euell returning. Eric Moulds has moved in front of Euell with sophomore Kenny Causey also expected to provide plenty of help. At tight end, Kendall Watkins returns with Brandon Mann offering backup. Mississippi State should be able to run the football: It has an experienced line to go along with speedy and productive backs. Michael Davis returns at running back, with Kevin Bouie and Keffer McGee also available. The fullback slot will be filled by returning starter Fred McCrary, with redshirt freshman Nakia Greer figuring to get some time. Quarterback is the one spot without experience. Todd Jordan is gone and sophomore Derrick Tate steps into the No. 1 role. Sophomore Rodney Hudson may also get some work.

On defense, the Bulldogs have a few changes, most notably a switch from the 50 look of the past to a four-man front. Only one starter, tackle Jimmie Myles, is back, but there is young talent to choose from. Koche Anderson will claim one of the other line spots. Redshirt freshman James Grier deserves watching, as does Eddie Maxon. Dwayne Curry is back at linebacker, where the Bulldogs will now use three at the position instead of four. Mike James, another returning starter, is also back. Reggie Wilson figures to land a job. Cornerbacks Walt Harris and Charlie Davidson rejoin safeties Johnnie Harris and Andre Bennett. Place-kicker Tim Rogers returns and Andy Russ will handle the punting, possibly even some place-kicking work.

OLE MISS

Every other year, the Rebels experience a successful season. This is the other year—an even-numbered season. That's good news for the Rebels, statistically speaking. Since 1987, Ole Miss has averaged eight victories a season in even-numbered years. The averages has been far less in odd-numbered years. That gives the Rebels some hope. More promise comes in the arrival of junior college quarterback Josh Nelson and his boss, new offensive coordinator Larry Kueck. Together they will direct a new, more wide-open attack. The Rebels' offense last fall ranked 11th in the 12-team SEC.

Before the celebration begins, there are some other things Ole Miss fans should recognize. The dark cloud of a NCAA investigation hangs over the program, a reality that will probably take its toll on the season. Thirteen starters are gone, including such notables as tailback Marvin Courtney, linebackers Dwayne Dotson and Cassius Ware, safety Johnny Dixon, and receiver Eddie Small. Truth is, this could be an odd-numbered season in an even-numbered year.

A year ago, Ole Miss had the nation's best defense, allowing just 234.5 yards per

game. The losses of Ware, Dotson, Dixon, and others will make a repeat of that accomplishment difficult. Heading this year's group are two all-SEC candidates, senior cornerback Alundis Brice and junior line-backer Abdul Jackson. Brice leads a talented, veteran secondary that includes strong safety Michael Lowery and cornerback Derek Jones. Joining that group at free safety is Antonious Bonner. Up front, tackle Norman Hand is the only returning regular, although tackle David McGowan and nose guard Huck Ferguson have experience.

Offensively, Nelson is the key. He arrived at Ole Miss in time for spring training and a week later he was the starter, with former quarterback Lawrence Adams moving to the secondary and possibly to wide receiver. "Josh established himself as the guy who can make this offense go," Ole Miss head coach Billy Brewer said. "He's a better football player than we anticipated. He's got excellent feet, extremely quick hands, and a strong arm." Assisting Nelson will be running back Dou Innocent and wide receiver Roell Preston. On the line, four starters are back: tight end Chris Turner, tackle Jeff Miller, guard Chris May, and center Darrell Moncus. Also returning is guard James Holcombe, who missed the '93 season because of a neck injury. Chris McCardle is expected to handle the punting duties and Walter Grant the place-kicking.

Ole Miss starts the season with Auburn and later plays a difficult stretch (Georgia, Florida, Arkansas, and Alabama), all but one of which a road game. Last year, the Rebels lost five of their last seven.

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LOUISVILLE

The Cardinals soared high in 1993, and now they will try to avoid the kind of crash that followed successes of the past. Louisville enjoyed a triumphant 9-3 season a year ago, defeating Arizona State and Texas for the first time in the school's history and then capping it all off with a Liberty Bowl victory against Michigan State. Plus, the Cardinals set a record for home attendance, averaging 37,518 per game. This success brought back memories of 1990, when Louisville enjoyed its first 10-win season by knocking off Alabama, 34-7, in the Fiesta Bowl. The Cardinals, however, nosedived the following year, plummeting all the way to 2-9.

The loss of 15 starters from '93 portended another struggle heading into spring workouts, and then the bad news hit. First, standout junior defensive end Joe Johnson announced he was going pro. Then, All-America candidate cornerback Anthony Bridges and linebacker Marcus Hill were dismissed

from the team for "violating team rules." Add this news to the difficulties of a tough schedule (Kentucky, Texas, Arizona State, North Carolina State, Boston College, and Texas A&M), and the odds seem long against the Cards remaining among the nation's top 25.

Coach Howard Schnellenberger must replace the heart of the offense: Jeff Brohm, a quarterback who smashed most of the school's single-season passing marks last fall, and running back Ralph Dawkins, Louisville's career leader in pass receptions. Junior Marty Lowe, who hit just 12 of 34 passes a year ago, should inherit Brohm's job,



MIKE CALAIS LSU

though sophomore Jason Payne is pushing him. Senior Anthony Shelman takes over for Dawkins with proven skills. He rushed for 124 yards against Memphis State and 126 against Tulsa. Junior tackle Roman Oben (6-4, 275), an All-America candidate, junior center Jason Stinson (6-4, 270), senior tackle Jermaine Williams (6-4, 283), and senior tight end Jamie Asher (6-4, 283) are back to anchor the front. Defensively, senior safety Terry Quinn and senior end Kendall Brown (6-3, 257) return to lead the way. Sophomore kicker David Akers and senior punter Brandon Brookfield also are back.

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

The Golden Eagles will look to soar with a new offense this year. Norman Joseph brings his multiple pro offense with a one-back influence from Northeast Louisiana as Southern Mississippi coach Jeff Bower's new offensive coordinator. "We have a new system going in, and it's going to be important for our players to pick it up quickly," Bower said. The Golden Eagles return 14 starters, seven each on offense and defense. They expect to be greatly improved over last year's disappointing 2-8-1 record, but they will be significantly tested with Texas A&M, Alabama, Florida, and Louisiana State on the road schedule.

Junior quarterback Kevin Bentley returns as the starter, though he hopes to improve upon last year's totals (13 interceptions and only 6 TDs). Seniors Tommy Waters and Ricky Carroll are waiting in the wings. "There is no question that when we have been an outstanding program, we have had a domi-

nating player at quarterback," Bower said. Senior fullback Ronald Jones returns. Juniors Chris Buckhalter and Myreon McKinney will both get work at tailback, with McKinney also figuring to see action in the slot as a receiver. Senior all-star candidate tackle Brent Duggins (6-5, 290) is back to anchor the line. Sophomore Ryan Pearson (17-204-2) is the leading returning receiver.

The team's best player is senior defensive tackle Michael Tobias (6-3, 275), an All-America candidate. He has 10 career sacks. Junior free safety L.T. Gulley and junior kicker Johnny Lomoro are standouts.

MEMPHIS

Coach Chuck Stobart put together the school's first back-to-back winning seasons in 15 years, but he has a big job in trying to extend that to three straight. The Tigers return only seven starters from last year's 6-5 team. Memphis enjoyed a run last fall that included a sweep of the state of Mississippi and the SEC. The Tigers defeated Mississippi, Mississippi State, Southern Mississippi,



MARTY LOWE Louisville

and Arkansas. The schedule isn't any easier this year, with a trip to Tennessee added in.

The rebuilding task is especially difficult on offense, where the Tigers must replace quarterback Steve Matthews, plus their top two runners and receivers, including Isaac Bruce, the first Memphis player ever to go over 1,000 yards receiving in a season. Junior quarterback Tony Scarpino returns. He took over when Matthews was hurt, leading the Tigers to victories against Ole Miss and Southern Mississippi. Junior running back Frank Fletcher and sophomore Quitman Spaulding will be expected to make the running game work. Tight end Joel Peschke and junior classmate Marcus Holliday at fullback are the other returning starters.

Defense is where the Tigers' strength lies. All-America linebacker Danton Barto is gone, but senior end James Logan (6-2, 210) and sophomore linebacker Richard Hogans (6-2, 244) return. Logan had six sacks last fall and Hogans was a Freshman All-America. Junior nose guard Brian Barnett (6-1, 260), junior end Dan Bonner (6-0, 210), senior safety Barry Dillard, and senior cornerback Ken Irvin lead the unit.

TULANE

Coach Buddy Teevens hopes to accelerate a slow and difficult rebuilding process this fall as the Green Wave tries to bounce back from 2-9 and 3-9 seasons. Teevens, in his third year, has brought in new offensive and defensive coordinators and made some strategic changes to jump-start the offense and stiffen the defense. Buddy Geis, offensive coordinator at Duke in '93, returns to Tulane, where he coached six seasons under Larry Smith and Vince Gibson (1977-82). He'll oversee an offense that will feature more one-back formations. Vic Eumont also returns to his roots as the defensive coordinator. He coached nine years at Tulane (1974-82) before heading off to New Mexico, Kansas, and Southwestern Louisiana and will oversee a new 4-3 scheme.

Nine starters return to an offense that struggled, averaging just 14 points, 96.7 yards rushing, and 211.9 yards passing per game. Junior quarterback Craig Randall, the starter most of last year, is back after throwing 14 interceptions and eight TDs. The Green Wave must replace one of its best players, receiver Wil Ursin, who caught 50 or more passes for three straight seasons. The unit's top player is senior guard Erik Bruce (6-4, 261). Sophomore Derrick Franklin is back after grabbing 31 passes.

Defensively, standout senior safety Mike Staid is one of five returning regulars. He's looking to lead the team in tackles for a fourth straight year and needs 118 to be-

come the school's career leader. Junior end Ryan Deaton leads the way up front.

CENTRAL FLORIDA

The Golden Knights, just two seasons after a jump to I-AA, return 17 starters and a handful of promising Division I-A transfers and are thus stocked to make a run at a fourth straight postseason playoff berth and a national title. They should be even better than last year's team, which went 9-3 after a first-round playoff loss to Youngstown State, the eventual I-AA national champion.

Quarterback Darin Hinshaw and senior classmate David Rhodes are back to lead an offense that averaged 34.4 points and 424.3 yards per game. Though the school's career-rushing leader, Willie English, is gone, talented Florida State transfer Marquette Smith moves in at running back. Hinshaw threw for nearly 3,000 yards last fall and 28 TDs. Rhodes, a I-AA All-America, caught a school-record 90 passes and 15 TDs in 1993. Senior receiver Mark Whittemore provides another speedy target. The line is led by senior center Mike Gruttadauria (6-3, 275), an honors candidate, and senior tackle Ray Forsythe (6-4, 320).

The defense's best player is end Greg Jefferson (6-3, 265), a senior All-America candidate who had 13 sacks a year ago. "I doubt if there is a better defensive player at any level," UCF coach Gene McDowell said. Two transfers from the University of Miami and one from Syracuse figure to further

strengthen the unit that held opponents to 122 yards rushing per game. Travis Cooper plays inside linebacker while his ex-Hurricane teammate Corries Hardy moves in at end. Former Orangeman Kendrick Thomas also should bolster the linebacking corps.

The Golden Knights will sample Division I-A play this year with a date at East Carolina on November 12.

TROY STATE

The Trojans answered questions about their ability to make the jump to Division I-AA last year with an exclamation mark: 10-0-1! They posted the first undefeated regular season in school history in their first year in I-AA. Coach Larry Blakeney's team didn't end its run until it was just one game away from playing for the national championship. The Trojans lost to Marshall, 24-21, in the semifinals, ending their season at 12-1-1.

The nucleus of that team is back: nine starters return on offense and seven on defense. The big question is who is going to replace quarterback Kelvin Simmons, the leader of a high-powered offense that averaged 36 points and 429 yards per game? Simmons threw for a school-record 31 TDs and more than 2,900 yards. Just as tough to replace will be receiver Orlando Parker, a fourth-round pick of the New York Jets. The quarterback favorite coming out of spring is junior Jeremy Rowell, a drop-back passer who threw just 12 passes last fall. He will be aided by the return of the offensive line and

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senior All-America candidate Robert Kilow (56 catches for 933 yards and 12 TDs). Defensively, senior safety Cedrick Brooks is being touted as an all-star after leading the Trojans in tackles. Seniors Sherman James and Byron Powell and junior Lonnie Randall return to anchor the front with outside linebackers Andrae Maxwell, a junior, and Illya Lawrence, a senior.

The schedule's tougher with Division I-AA games at Southwest Louisiana and Cincinnati among seven road games.

WESTERN KENTUCKY

The Hilltoppers must replace the heart of their high-powered offense if they intend to build upon last year's success. Coach Jack Harbaugh must restock a backfield that was Division I-AA's best at running the football and the key to an 8-3 season. The '93 team was the first from Western Kentucky to lead the nation in rushing (300.1 yards per game), but three of the top four runners are gone. Quarterback Eddie Thompson, the team leader (830 yards), helped the Hilltoppers set a school record with 3,301 yards rushing. He will be tough to replace, but senior J.J. Jewell is eager to try. He threw for 112 yards in a relief role against Kansas State and ran for 92 against Western Illinois. He gets help with the return of all five starters on the offensive line, including senior center Ty Koon (6-4, 265), an All-America candidate. Speedy senior receiver Lito Mason

also is back. Sophomore Antwan Floyd and senior Davion Sarver will be expected to make the running game work.

The team's top seven tacklers are back, including inside linebacker Sheldon Benoit and senior classmate and all-star candidate Danny Davis (6-2, 275) at tackle.

SAMFORD

The Bulldogs are still regrouping after the exodus of coach Terry Bowden to Auburn last fall. While Bowden enjoyed success in his first season with the Tigers, Samford struggled. After two straight appearances in the I-AA playoffs under Bowden, the Bulldogs dropped to 5-6 a year ago. The turnaround continues this year with Pete Hurt moving up from defensive coordinator to head coach. Chan Gailey left after one season to become an assistant coach for the Pittsburgh Steelers. Hurt has a solid nucleus to build on with 14 starters back.

Sophomore Bart Yancey returns to call the signals after 1,638 yards passing and seven touchdowns with 15 interceptions. Senior Damian Hines led the team in rushing with 677 yards out of the one-back set. Also returning is senior running back Anthony Jordan, a potential all-star, and sophomore Derek Staley. Senior Scott McFadden heads the receiving corps. Junior center Lance Mattes (6-2, 280) should be among I-AA's best linemen. The defense is making a switch from the 3-4 to a 4-3 alignment. Back to lead the change is senior tackle Chad

Mobley (5-11, 240), whose quickness makes him an honors candidate. Senior linebackers Jeremy Perkins and Bob Emerson and safety Carlton Golden comprise the backbone of the unit.

ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM

The Blazers hope to build on a season-ending eight-game winning streak and take another step forward in the Division I-AA ranks this fall. UAB, in just its fourth year of football, moved from Division III last year and posted a 9-2 mark. The schedule, however, wasn't too demanding. Western Kentucky and Troy State, the only I-AA notables, gave the Blazers their only losses, pounding them by a total of 87-16. Still, the Blazers return 19 starters, and the confidence of not having lost in the season's final two months. The schedule gets a little tougher for coach Jim Hilyer this year with a trip to Kansas.

Back to lead the offense is senior quarterback John Whitcomb, who threw for 447 yards in one game last year. He teams up with senior receiver Derrick Ingram, a second-team All-America in '93 who has caught passes in 24 straight games. Defensively, senior tackle Josh Evans (6-3, 295) is a three-year starter. Senior linebacker Wayne White is the leading tackler, and senior cornerback Don Blackmon had a team-high seven interceptions. Junior place-kicker Kevin Thomason made 15 of 19 field-goal attempts and has a school-record 52-yarder to his credit. □

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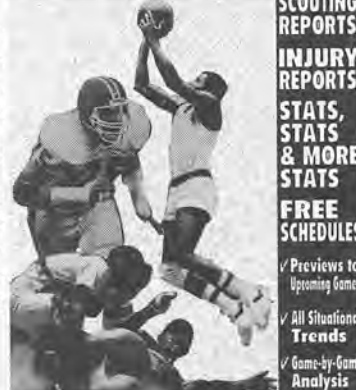
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MIAMI

The Hurricanes will begin workouts this fall motivated to prove their reign of domination has not ended. "I laugh when I hear people say that," Miami junior defensive tackle Warren Sapp said. "If it's the end, why didn't anybody want to play us in the Kickoff Classic this year. If you think Miami's dead, call down here and we'll go play you anywhere you want to play."

Sapp and teammates have listened to disbelievers, doubters, and doomsday forecasters throughout the offseason. Cynics see UM's fall from the mountaintop last year as a sign the program is eroding. "That's fantasy," sophomore running back Danyell Ferguson said. "That's a fairy tale."

The 'Canes were too human for the locals last year, falling to a 9-3 record. Though this would be exemplary at many programs, it was deemed abominable at a place where expectations have soared to unreasonable if not impossible heights. "You play for the national championship here," defensive end Kevin Patrick said after the 'Canes were humiliated, 29-0, by Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl. "If you're not No. 1, it doesn't matter if you are No. 2 or No. 100. The only good season is one that ends with a championship ring on your finger."

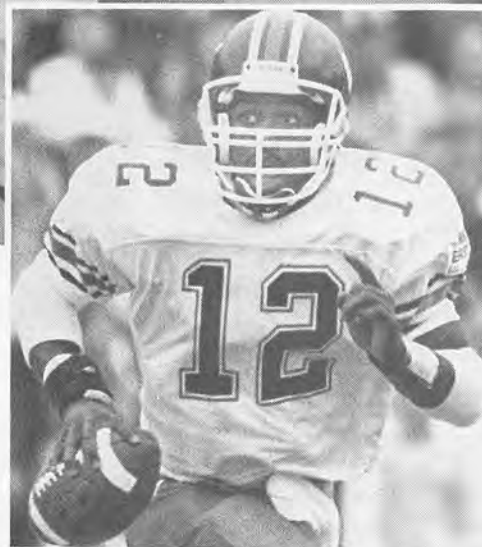
The season-ending loss was a loud thud as the 'Canes bottomed out in a disappointing finish that saw them lose two of their last three games. It was their worst loss in a bowl and marked the first time they had been shut out in 169 games, since a 30-0 loss to Alabama in 1979. The 'Canes fell out of the top 10 rankings for the first time since 1984. Still, their return a sideline loaded with talent, making this another national title contender. They should open on a rousing note, too. A victory against Georgia Southern September 3 in the Orange Bowl will be Miami's 58th straight at home, breaking Alabama's NCAA record. Home dates with Washington and Florida State and an early road trip to Arizona State rank as the stiffest tests.

Mike Allen

Coach Dennis Erickson, who enters his sixth season at Miami with a 53-7 record, will make his title run with defense. Though the 'Canes return only four starters, this unit will rank among the nation's most talented. Sapp (6-3, 300) could be the top player at his position in the land. Senior Pat Riley (6-6, 240) is potentially dominating at the other tackle spot, making this interior tandem perhaps the nation's best. Junior Rohan Marley (5-8, 205) is back with senior Corwin Francis at outside linebacker. Sophomore Ray Lewis is emerging as a standout. Senior free safety C.J. Richardson is the only starter returning to the secondary, but there's plenty of speed and talent stepping in.

Offensively, nine starters return, but this is where the biggest questions are. Will senior quarterback Frank Costa provide the leadership this one-back passing offense needs? Or will junior Ryan Collins re-emerge as the starter? The unit's most talented position is running back. Junior James Stewart is the leading rusher (604 yards). Senior Larry Jones (400) and Ferguson would be the top

FRANK COSTA
Miami



MAURICE DeSHAZO Virginia Tech

backs at most other schools. UM's biggest problems were on the line and at receiver last fall. Inconsistent blocking and too many dropped passes plagued the 'Canes. Four of five starters, including senior guard Tirrell Greene (6-3, 300), return to the front. Senior Chris T. Jones (45 catches for 700 yards) is the only receiver assured of keeping his starting status as a stable of talented but young receivers vie to take over.

Junior punter Mike Crissy (39.6) and junior place-kicker Dane Prewitt also return.

VIRGINIA TECH

The Hokies confounded the experts last year with one of the nation's biggest turn-arounds. They went from 2-8-1 in 1992 to 9-3 and a No. 20 national ranking. A 45-20 upset of Indiana in the Independence Bowl capped Frank Beamer's seventh season as head coach. "But this is just a sign of things to come," he said. "I have visions of Virginia Tech reaching even greater heights." Believe him. The Hokies should be among the leading challengers for the Big East championship after last year's fourth-place, 4-3 finish.

Under the direction of Heisman Trophy candidate Maurice DeShazo, "the best option quarterback in college football," according to Beamer, the Hokies set school records with 4,885 yards in total offense, 52 touchdowns, and 400 points. DeShazo became the most productive quarterback in Tech history, completing 56.1 percent of his passes for 2,080 yards and 22 touchdowns. He also gained 314 yards rushing. Split end Antonio Freeman returns as DeShazo's No. 1 target. Cornelius White and Bryan Still are vying for the nod at flanker, with Jermaine Holmes, Michael Williams, and William Ferrell the backups. Bryan Jennings and Kevin Martin will share time at tight end. Junior Dwayne Thomas, the first Tech rusher to top 1,000 yards in a season since 1986, returns at tailback. Bullish Brian Edmonds moves up at fullback. Tommy Edwards and Ranall White provide depth at tailback, with Rafael Williams backing up Edmonds. Billy Conaty has switched from tackle to center with the departure of All-America Jim Pyne. Guards Chris Malone and Damien McMahon return and Jay Hagood and Mike Bianchin take over at tackle, with T.J. Washington, Anthony Kapp, and Gennaro Dinapoli also in the mix. Tim Wade will back up Conaty.

Eight starters return from a young defensive unit that matured late in the year. Heading the cast is linebacker Ken Brown, an all-star candidate who logged a team-high 113 tackles. Sidekick George DelRicco, who had 103 tackles, also is back. Freshman speedster Korey Irby could be the third linebacker. Cornell Brown, Lawrence Lewis, and Hank Coleman are veteran ends, with J.C. Price, Waverly Jackson, and Jeff Holland the tackles. Safety Antonio Banks, the Independence Bowl's defensive MVP, leads the secondary. Torrian Gray is the rover, with junior William Yarborough and soph Larry Green experienced corners.

Ryan Williams gives the Hokies outstanding place-kicking. But punter Robbie Colley hopes to improve on his 38.4-yard average while maintaining good hang time.

BOSTON COLLEGE

The Eagles had an 11th-hour changing of the guard. Tom Coughlin left suddenly to become head coach of the NFL's new Jacksonville franchise. Taking over the B.C. reins on March 2 was Dan Henning, himself a veteran of pro coaching wars. Coughlin capped his three-year stint by leading the Eagles to a 9-3 record and No. 12 national ranking. They upset then-No. 1 Notre Dame, 41-39, at South Bend, and walloped Virginia,

31-13, in the Carquest Bowl. To match his predecessor's success, Henning must develop a capable quarterback and plug four other holes on offense. Eight starters return from a defensive unit that gave up 20.6 points and 326.2 yards per game.

Gone is all-Big East quarterback Glenn Foley, who passed for 10,039 yards and 72 touchdowns during his brilliant career. Last year he guided the Eagles to a school-record 5,570 yards and 34.3 points per game. Junior Jeff Ryan, soph Mark Hartsell, and redshirt freshman Matt Hasselbeck are battling for the job. Henning also must replace fullback Darnell Campbell, a 1,071-yard rusher who scored 21 touchdowns. But David Green (399) returns at tailback, along with Anthony Comer (391) and Justice Smith. All-Big East tight end Pete Mitchell heads the receiving corps. He led the conference with 66 receptions for 818 yards and seven touchdowns and had the huge game against the Irish. Wideout Clarence Cannon will get help from speedy Greg Grice, soph Kenyatta Watson, and Tony Ransome. Backup tight end Gordon Laro, a solid blocker, may move to fullback. Center Tom Nalen, a four-year starter, and guard Mark Borrelli must be replaced. Junior Tim O'Brien or soph Brian O'Connor likely will succeed Nalen, with soph Mark Nori pairing at guard with Greg Landry, an all-Big East choice. Pete Kendall and Dan Oriskovich remain fixtures at tackle.

The defensive line looms as a chief strength. Tackle Chris Sullivan and nose guard Tim Morabito return. Joe O'Brien, injured last season, may start at tackle. Outside linebacker Mike Mamula had 11 sacks among his 84 tackles. Ed Sanabria works the other side. All-Big East inside linebacker Stephen Boyd logged a school-record 161 tackles in only 10 games. Erik Lyman is a leading contender at the other spot, with Rupert English, sophs Matt Haff and Brian



Bill Anagnostis

ROBERT WALKER West Virginia

Maye, and freshman Michael Hemmert providing depth. The secondary remains intact: Joe Kamara and Michael Reed at the corners and Terence Wiggins and Rob Clifford at the safety positions.

The kicking remains strong. David Gordon, who booted that memorable 41-yard game-winning field goal against Notre Dame, will handle placements. Punter Jeff Beckley averaged 40.6 yards.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Mountaineers were full of surprises last year. Picked to finish fourth in the Big East, they captured the championship with a 7-0 conference record and wound up the regular season 11-0 overall. Their hopes for a share of the national title, however, were crushed by Florida in the Sugar Bowl, 41-7. Now Don Nehlen faces a considerable rebuilding task in his 15th year at Morgantown.

Tailback Robert Walker, who became WVU's all-time rushing leader (1,250), is the top holdover from an offense that averaged 447.3 yards and 40.9 points per game. Fullback Jim Freeman, tackles Calvin Edwards and Chris Klick, and all-Big East guard Tom Robsack also return. But Nehlen lost quarterbacks Jake Kelchner and Darren Studstill, who combined for 2,759 yards and 26 touchdowns, and the top three wide receivers, who totaled 96 catches and 1,906 yards. All-America tackle Rich Braham is gone. Sophomores Chad Johnston and Eric Boykin, a transfer from Michigan, will share the quarterbacking. Jimmy Gary, Jeff Nixon, and Khari Mott provide depth at tailback. Freeman is pressed at fullback by soph Kantroy Barber, a transfer from Colorado. Lovett Purnell, Charles Washington, and



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ANTHONY COMER Boston College

Chad Wable make tight end a strength. Rahsaan Vanterpool, Zach Abraham, and Tony Alexander are the wide receivers. Jay Brooks fills a void at center, and Pete Tirado will pair with Robsack at guard. Frank Gondorchin, Derrick Bell, Joe DeLong, and Buddy Hager are reserves.

Only five starters return on defense. But there's slightly more experience—and less cause for concern—on that side of the ball. Ends Steve Perkins and Canute Curtis, a sophomore, excel as pass-rushers. All-Big East selections Barry Hawkins at tackle and David Mayfield at safety are back, along with linebacker Matt Taffoni and cornerback Aaron Beasley. Keith Morris or John Browning will be the other starting tackle. Puppy Wright or Bo Chatfield and Frank Browning or Elige Longino will team with Taffoni. Mike Logan and Harold Kidd round out the secondary, with Charles Emanuel, Vann Washington, and Randy Fulmore in the mix.

All-Big East punter Todd Sauerbrun, who broke his own school record (44.6-yard average), will handle kickoffs and long-range field goals. Tom Mazzone will handle extra points and short field goals.

SYRACUSE

Dreams of a Big East championship and a shot at the national title were dashed in a nightmarish 1993 season. The Orange shockingly skidded to a 6-4-1 record, the school's poorest since 1986, and spent the holidays at home after six consecutive bowl appearances. Fourth-year head coach Paul Pasqualoni still has some talented players available, but many new faces figure in the rebuilding process. Gone are such standouts as quarterback Marvin Graves, kicker/punter Pat O'Neill, wide receiver Shelby Hill, offensive lineman John Reagan, and defensive lineman Kevin Mitchell.

Replacing Graves obviously is the No. 1 task. The Johnny Unitas Award finalist owns virtually every school passing record. Fifth-year senior Kevin Mason, who has little game experience (11 of 25 passes for 139 yards) and missed some spring work with a broken right hand, will inherit the quarterback job with redshirt freshman Larry Tyger the backup. Wide receiver Marvin Harrison (41-813-7) is among five returning starters on offense. The others are tight end Eric Chenoweth, tackle Melvin Tuten, guard Cy Ellsworth, and center Dave Wohlabaugh. Jeyson Wilson likely will replace Hill, with Will Walker and Deon Maddox in reserve. Jim Ledger at tackle and John Michaelidis at guard loom as new starters. Tailback Kirby Dar Dar is an explosive all-purpose runner (1,120 yards). The fullback will be inexperienced, with Roy Willis, Edmund Robinson, Ron Brockington, and Terry Morris contending.

Six starters return on defense, where last year's unit uncharacteristically yielded 378.7 yards and 26.2 points per game. Inside linebackers Nate Hemsley and Greg Shaw are back, as is outside linebacker Scott Freney. Tackle Wilky Bazile is the only holdover up front, however, and cornerback Bryce Bevil and free safety Tony Jones return in the secondary. Dave Rebar and Antonio Anderson are top contenders at the other tackle, with Ed Hobson the probable replacement for Mitchell at nose guard. Chris Marques or Dwayne Morgan will pair with Freney at outside linebacker. Kevin Abrams and Chris Bryant are vying for a corner, with Darrell Parker and Karlos Jackson leading at strong safety. Linebacker Dan Conley, granted a sixth season of eligibility by the NCAA, hopes his reconstructed knee will enable him to play.

Sophomore Sean Reali will take over the place-kicking and punting from O'Neill, the Big East Special-Teams' Player of the Year.

RUTGERS

Heavy injuries contributed to the Scarlet Knights' disappointing 4-7 record. That followed their first back-to-back winning seasons since 1979-80. Coach Doug Graber remains confident, however, that his program is on the verge of producing big dividends. He's attracting quality recruits and Rutgers has upgraded its football facilities. The refurbished campus stadium now seats 42,000



TONY JONES Syracuse

(up from 23,000). Graber enters his fifth season with six starters back on each side of the ball. But this is a young squad that includes seven redshirt freshmen and 21 sophomores among the top 55 players.

Tailbacks Terrell Willis and Bruce Presley, the Big East's last two Rookies of the Year, give Rutgers a potent 1-2 punch. They combined for 2,002 yards rushing and 17 touchdowns on 321 carries last fall. Willis set an NCAA freshman record with 2,026 all-purpose yards. The run-oriented offense averaged nearly 400 yards per game and tied the school scoring record with 351 points. Ray Lucas, who started eight games, returns at quarterback. He passed for 1,011 yards and seven scores and added 220 yards and five touchdowns rushing. Transfers Robert Higgins and Mike Stephens are backups. Steady Wes Bridges remains the fullback. The receiving corps must be rebuilt, with soph Reggie Funderburk and junior Eddie Walker the starters. Tight end Marco Battaglia is a third-year regular. Center John Bleich and tackle Ken Dammann anchor the line. Soph John Komar will be the other tackle, with freshman Jack McKiernan and Chris Kennedy the guards. Kareem Williams, who missed spring drills, has started.

The Knights expect to be stronger on defense after surrendering 30.4 points and 396.2 yards per game. Graber hired John Gutekunst as the new coordinator and switched from a 3-4 to a 4-3 alignment. Tackles Keif Bryant and Rashod Swinger return up front along with ends Bob Sneathen and Rudy Smith. Alcides Catanho, Brian Sheridan, and Bruce Spaulding have emerged as the top linebackers. But Mike Brestle and Rusty Swartz, holdover starters, will return after sitting out the spring. Corner-

backs Mike Roberts and Mike Fullman are in the same situation, set to challenge Curtis Tribbitt and Derek Ward. Mark Washington and Thomas Kelly are the starting safeties.

Eddie Duborg will succeed four-year place-kicker John Benestad, with Nick Sherernetta handling the punting.

PITTSBURGH

In 1993 the Panthers won just three games—all on the road—for the second consecutive season. But Johnny Majors thought his young team showed some growth and maturity by year's end. With 20 starters returning, he's hoping for vast improvement this season, his second in his second stint as Pittsburgh's head coach.

Workhorse tailback Curtis Martin and offensive tackle Reuben Brown are all-star candidates. Martin led the Panthers in rushing (1,075) and receiving (33-249). John Ryan passed for 1,284 yards, but he'll likely give way to junior college transfer Sean Fitzgerald, who threw for 3,100 yards at Los Angeles Valley College. Dietrich Jells, who had 55 receptions in 1992, is back from knee surgery and just three games last year. Other wide receivers include Billy Davis, Jay Jones, and Curtis Anderson. Tight end is a concern, with converted linebacker Tony Reardon joining holdovers Raymond Belvin and Chad Skrocki. Sophomore Billy West and junior Tim Colicchio are solid tailbacks behind Martin. Chad Dukes, a converted tailback, remains the starting fullback ahead of Maurice Washington. Anchoring the line with Brown is center Lawson Mollica, a three-year regular, and tackle Matt Bloom. Sophomore Tim Glass and junior Brian Curran are new starters at guard.

Safety Doug Whaley is the only regular missing from a defensive unit that should be much improved. Junior linebacker Tom Tumulty, who had a team-high 114 tackles, and right tackle Tom Barndt earned all-Big East honors. Junior Zaititi Moody and sophomore Mike Mohring return at end, with soph Tim Robbins again pairing with Barndt at tackle. Gerald Simpson and Jon McCray are holdover starters at outside linebacker. Either Hayes Clark or Chris Patton will be the other starting inside linebacker. Cornerbacks Maurice Williams and Denorse Mosley will be joined in the secondary by Penn State transfer Ricky Rowe and soph Jim Williams or junior David Sumner.

Steve Kalmanides will handle the place-kicking and Nate Cochran the punting.

TEMPLE

The Owls lost the last 10 games after winning their 1993 opener in head coach Ron Dickerson's first season. "Last year was a learning year," he said. "We are taking the 1994 season as a competitive year." With 15 starters returning, plus both kickers, Dickerson believes this will be a much better year for his team. Certainly success is sorely needed in a program which has produced just two winning seasons in the last 14. Temple, showing only four victories in three years, has yet to win a Big East game. Last year's recruits played 40-50 snaps a game. The incoming freshmen also are being counted on for immediate help.

Dickerson is looking for more production from an offense that averaged only 235.6



PHIL LANG Temple

yards per game in '93. Henry Burris and Phil Lang, who combined for 1,216 yards passing, return at quarterback. Marc Baxter heads the receiving corps. Tailback Ralphiel Mack (570 yards) and fullback Sid Morse should be improved. Tight end P.J. Cook, center John Summerday, and huge junior tackle Jon Clark (6-7, 329) are standouts up front, where all-Big East tackle Tre Johnson graduated. Tackle Eric Johnson and guards Ed Bowen and Andrew Peterson (6-6, 320) round out the starting line.

Defensively, all-East junior linebacker Lance Johnstone led the team last year with

Frank DiBiase

88 tackles, including 66 solo stops, and forced four fumbles. Andrew Brown, Sherrick Perry, Jon Swift, and Alshermund Singleton also have experience. Adrian Drones remains a fixture at one end, with sophs Tealang Lloyd or Tim Terry starting at the other. Sean Carden, Andy Phipps, and Deandre McClurkin are the top tackles. Ted McDuffie, Keno Cox, Robert McWilliams, and Frank Carter have started in the secondary. Phil Cox is challenging. Improvement in a unit that allowed 497.5 yards per game will hinge mainly on how the secondary matures.

Rich Maston will do the place-kicking and John Shay the punting.

independents

NAVY

Can the Midshipmen sustain for the entire season last year's 4-2 start? George Chaump thinks so if he can restock the offensive and defensive lines, areas hit hardest by graduation. Chaump considers the talent and depth at the skill positions the best in his five years as head coach. Despite finishing 4-7, last year's team broke or tied 16 school records. A winning season would be Navy's first in more than a decade.

Offensively, Navy looks strong at quarterback, receiver, and running back. Jim Kubiak set 11 of his 14 records last season when passing for 2,628 yards and 11 touchdowns. But the standout senior must cut back on his 17 interceptions. Four of the top six receivers return: all-star split end Damon

Dixon (51-620-3), tight end Kevin Hickman (39-479-2), and wideouts Mike Jefferson and Matt Scornavacchi. Chaump expects greater ground production than last year's paltry 89.5 yards per game from a new and swifter group of running backs. Monty Williams and Robbie Edwards have some experience. Up from the freshman ranks are Willie Smith, Omar Nelson, and Chris Rantin. The totally new offensive line likely will consist of Garrett Smith at center, Alex Domino and either Bryce Minamyer or sophomore Brandon Morris at guard, and Dean Wakeham and Chris Eichinger at tackle. Sophs Jonas Panik, Kris Martin, and Hunter Jones are in reserve.

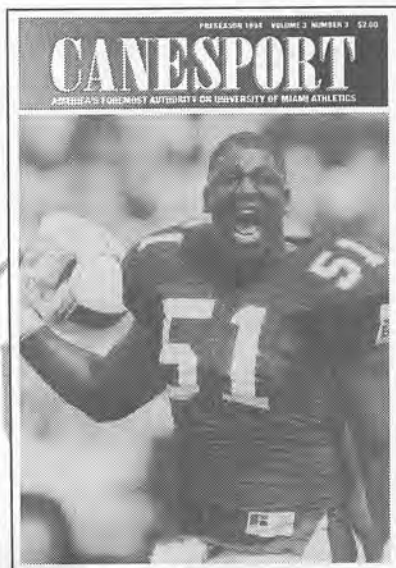
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CANESPORT

Linebacker will be the strength of the defense, with Shane Halloran, who logged 109 tackles last year, and Fernando Harris. Matt Kaslik, J.D. McBryde, and sophs Mark Love and Clint Bruce provide depth. Three part-time starters return up front: end Andy Person and tackles Chris Reaghard and Erasto Jackson. Cornerback Chris Hart was an all-East choice. Joe Speed returns at free safety, with Andy Thompson at strong safety and Jonathan Wellington on the other corner. Ted Farrell and Keith Galloway also lettered.

Punter Brian Schrum hopes to become more consistent; soph Ryan Bucchianeri will do the place-kicking.

ARMY

The Cadets needed closing conquests of Lafayette and Navy last year to achieve their first winning season since 1990. With only nine starters back, it could be difficult for them to match that 6-5 record. But Bob Sut-



RICK ROPER Army

ton firmly believes he has sufficient personnel to keep Army on the plus side of the ledger in his fourth year as head coach. Playing seven games at West Point and two others on neutral fields should help.

Rick Roper, a starter in 19 of the last 20 games, returns to direct the wishbone attack. He rushed for nearly 1,100 yards and completed 110 of 189 passes for 1,441 yards over two seasons. Pressing him at quarterback are Mike Makovec and Steve Carpenter, both experienced but coming off knee surgery. All-star candidate Akili King at fullback was the team's top rusher, averaging 5.9 yards per carry and 110 per game. Backup Joe Ross, who started the final four games when King was hurt, also is back. Kevin Vaughn and Mike Robinson are the leading halfbacks. Split ends Leon Ganit and Dondra Jolly figure to add firepower to an offense that averaged an impressive 370 yards a game in 1993. Sophomore Ron Leshinski is the holdover starter at tight end, with Mike Williams behind him. Sutton must rebuild the interior line in which guard Ed Stover is the only returning regular. Leading candidates for the vacancies are guards

Josh Freeman and Gavin Lawrence, tackles Casey Minott and Bill Blair, and centers Mike Wells and Nathan Liles.

The defensive line also needs rebuilding, with tackle Joel Davis the keystone. Adrian Calame moved from inside linebacker to the other tackle slot in spring practice. Either Colin Kearns or Justen Hackenberg will start



AKILI KING Army

at nose guard. Linebackers Pat Work (inside) and Eric Oliver (outside) and safeties Jim Cantelupo and Landis Maddox are assets. Outside linebacker Bob Heckathorne and cornerbacks James Chun and Jami Wollocko are other probable starters.

Mark Houston (32.4) is the punter and Kurt Heiss takes over the place-kicking.

patriot league

predictions

- patriot league**
1. Lafayette 2. Bucknell 3. Holy Cross
4. Lehigh 5. Colgate 6. Fordham

● Hank Small's sudden departure as Lehigh's coach last March following a championship season sent only mild shock waves through the Patriot League. A few days earlier, in a higher league, Jimmy Johnson had severed ties with owner Jerry Jones and the Dallas Cowboys after back-to-back Super Bowl victories. Insiders say Small devoted too much attention to the offense, whose passing game topped the league five years in a row and was among the national I-AA leaders, failed to win games he was supposed to win, and did not play on the emotions of his athletes. Defensive coordinator Kevin Higgins was promoted to head coach. His plans are to run the same basic offense this fall, but he will be without the major parts: quarterback Scott Semptimphelter and wideouts Dave Cecchini and Kevin Rubin.

Higgins is not alone. He thinks most I-AA programs are hurting for numbers. Every Patriot team has missing parts and a lack of

quality depth. In fact, the league is losing ground in being competitive with the Ivy League, its sister confederation with which it schedules most of its non-league games. The Ivies won 13 of the 19 meetings last fall; they're in good shape to improve on that this season. Last year's Patriot championship was decided on the final day. Look for more of the same this year. Lafayette, with tailback Erik Marsh and the best defensive line in the league, should prevail.

LAFAYETTE

The secret is for coach Bill Russo to have tailback Erik Marsh, the Leopards' career rushing leader (3,585 yards), still carrying the ball in late October when the league games begin. "Injuries will be the biggest factor," Russo said. "Teams play six games before they play any league games. Any team could have eight to 10 kids who are non-factors by that time." Marsh had a school-record 1,441 yards last fall on an ankle that never fully healed from a sprain in preseason camp. This year the Leopards have senior backup John Kahn, a 664-yard rusher in 1991 who missed '92 for academic reasons and '93 when he tore up a knee on the first day of camp. Russo spent the off-season plugging in new offensive linemen and linebackers, and shifting junior tight end Glenn Hunzinger to fullback and senior fullback Chris SanGiovanni to tight end. Junior quarterback Mike Talerico, thrust into the starting job by an injury at midseason, completed half of his passes but needs to cut down on interceptions. The Leopards have two outstanding junior receivers in flanker Jarrett Shine and split end Tramont Evans.

A defensive line that features seniors Harrison Bailey and Derek Mast and junior Gavin Morrissey is a plus. Bailey, an all-league choice, led the Leopards with nine sacks. Junior free safety Matt Cope anchors the secondary with veteran corners Chris Everett, Kevin Conaboy, and JoJo Herndon. Senior Jason McLaughlin is the league's top place-kicker.

BUCKNELL

The Bison came within a deflected pass in the end zone last November from winning it all after a 1-5 start. Coach Lou Maranzana's club was playing as well as anyone in the late fall after defeating Holy Cross (for the first time ever), Fordham, and league champion Lehigh on consecutive weekends, only to fall, 13-8, at Colgate on the last play of the game. Maranzana is looking for last year's success to carry over into the fall with 13 returning starters.

The Bison have experience at quarterback with seniors Rob Glus and Travis Kopp; at tailback, where 5-8, 144-pound Rich Lemon was the '93 league Rookie of the Year; at linebacker, where senior Russ Strohecker earned all-league second-team in the middle; and in the secondary, where three starters return, led by junior corner Mark Miller, who tied for the Patriot lead with six interceptions. Lemon rushed for 210 yards in his first college game, and finished with 1,151 yards, the second-most productive season ever by a Bucknell running back. The offensive line is largely intact, featuring senior tackle Ed Frattarelli and senior tight ends Mark Gentile and Joe Zabielski.

The unit adds senior tackle Andy DeFalco, who was moved from the defensive line during the offseason.

Bucknell is not without chinks in its armor. Three new faces are in the defensive line, and the wide receivers will be first-time starters. The preseason MVP is athletic director Rick Hartzell, whose schedule-making has the Bison playing seven games at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium.

HOLY CROSS

The Holy Cross faithful expected a dropoff once all the scholarship players were out of the program, but nothing like this. The league's need-based financial-aid system, they say, has destroyed their entertainment on Saturday afternoons. One of college football's all-time winningest I-AA programs, which points proudly to its league championship years of 1986, '87, '89, '90 and '91, tumbled from 6-5 in 1992 to 3-8 last fall. Losses to in-state rivals Massachusetts and Boston University and to Princeton, Lafayette, and Bucknell were particularly ugly.

The Crusaders appear destined for consecutive losing seasons for the first time since 1979-80. Their quarterback, Andy Fitzpatrick, had knee surgery after the seventh game last year. Up to that point, he hadn't thrown a single interception. He comes into the new season with a string of 127 passes without an interception. Coach Peter Vaas lost split end Chris Summers (69 catches for 1,057 yards) and three-time all-



ERIK MARSH Lafayette

Patriot inside linebacker Rob Milanette. The offensive line returns nearly intact with junior tackle Tom Claro. Senior and fellow all-leaguer Anthony Pignio has 25 career field goals. Senior free safety Pat Smith was the No. 2 tackler last fall on the unit that ranked last in the league in total defense.

LEHIGH

For the first time in six years, the Engineers are operating without a quarterback who has been in the system for at least two years. Tulane transfer Bob Aylsworth probably will start ahead of Larry Kahn. Both are untested juniors. Coach Kevin Higgins said he plans to throw the ball with basically the same offense used by his predecessor, Hank Small,

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but is determined to rely more on the ground game. Senior tailback Raphael Stillings and senior fullback Jason Mastropiero are the likely beneficiaries from that change. The quarterbacks will be throwing to a new group of receivers behind a rebuilt line.

The Engineers look strong defensively with seniors D'Andre Dina (6-6, 290) and Sam Lawler and sophomore David Sunderland at tackle, and seniors Greg Moore and Rich Owens and junior Kee Song at end. The linebacking corps is new, but senior strong safety Jason Mack returns to an all-veteran secondary. Higgins said the defense will take a more aggressive approach, and listed three keys to success for a former pass-happy team: strong senior leadership, consistent defense, and the establishment of a running game.

COLGATE

Colgate football is taking more broadside hits than it has absorbed in more than 30 years with a string of three consecutive losing seasons and five in the last six. The Red Raiders had five losers in a row from 1956-60. Colgate starts its second new quarterback in as many years, tailback Bill Sparacio leaves with 2,799 career yards, the offensive line is still young, and the Red Raiders will have three new linebackers.

Senior wide receiver Tom Nash is Colgate's marquee name. He is the league's top returning receiver with 57 career catches for 849 yards and three touchdowns. Can senior quarterback Bill McDuffee or junior Ian Prisuta get the ball to him? McDuffee started four games last fall for the injured Chris Lane, finishing the season with 317 yards in seven appearances. Senior tackle Mike Boorman, an academic All-America, is one of three starters back in the offensive line. The defensive line is a plus with senior end Tom Rossi, who led the team with 8½ sacks, and junior tackle Joe Kasztejka, the leading returning tackler. Senior cornerback Andre Martin has new teammates in the secondary, which lost three-year starting safety Ryan Cook.

FORDHAM

Last season saw Fordham's fourth offensive coordinator in five years. This fall it's a new head coach, Nick Quartaro, whose résumé lists program turnarounds at Drake and, more recently, Kansas State. And, yes, another offensive coordinator in Fred Mariani. Quartaro has some serious turning to do in the Bronx, where the Rams are 7-42 since moving from Division III to I-AA five years ago. They have won just two league games in the last four years and finished 1-10 in '93, setting a school record for losses. The new coaching staff may eventually work a miracle, but it won't happen this season. Among the notable losses are Aaron Dougherty, the league's defensive Player of the Year; Ryan Reinert, a second-team all-leaguer; Mike Costanzo, a co-captain; and a trio of linebackers.

Junior Joe Moorhead took most of the snaps at quarterback a year ago, but one of Quartaro's first moves was to declare the position in his new multiple-I offense up for grabs among the five returning players. Moorhead started the last eight games, passing for 1,700 yards and nine touch-

downs with 16 interceptions. John Pohlman, a senior who started the last five games in 1992, threw eight interceptions in his five appearances. The veteran nucleus consists of three second-team all-league picks: senior tailback Chris Ross, junior defensive end Aaron Torgler, and junior strong safety Chris O'Leary.

Ivy league

predictions

Ivy league

1. Penn
2. Princeton
3. Harvard
4. Brown
5. Dartmouth
6. Cornell
7. Yale
8. Columbia

● For the most part, the academic standards have not changed over the life of the Ivy League. And until last year, neither had the football format: No freshmen on the varsity roster, no helmets or pads or blocking or tackling until September—while two Division I-A powers were teeing up the regular season in August in the Kickoff Classic. But life has changed in the Ivy League. For the first time since 1956—the year the league was born—not only will freshmen be on varsity rosters, but coaches will have had a 12-day look at their teams before they call them to the first fall practice.

"It's about time," said Dartmouth coach John Lyons of the league's first spring practice. "It couldn't come at a better time," said Princeton's Steve Tosches, who is losing 16 starters and relishes the extra time to get a peek at their replacements. He isn't alone in that perception. Only Columbia and Brown won't have to replace starting quarterbacks and other coaches will cherish the additional time to evaluate their new starters.

The class of '93 established some lofty standards, Princeton running back Keith Elias, a two-time All-America, set four Division I-AA and 21 school rushing records. Dartmouth quarterback Jay Fiedler left 12 school passing and overall offense marks.

PENN

Start with wideout Miles Macik and running back Terrance Stokes, both all-Ivy, plus four returning starters in the offensive line, and you understand why the Quakers are the choice to repeat. And having seven players who got at least some mention for the all-league teams doesn't hurt. Just who will get the ball to Macik and Stokes is the question, but the same type of enigma applies to almost every team in the league. Jim McGeehan took Penn career records in passing, touchdowns, and total offense with him, leaving the quarterback position open. Sophomore Steve Teodecki, the first freshman to throw a TD pass in Ivy history, and redshirt freshman Mark DeRosa, will battle to inherit the offense. They will get help from all-Ivy center Pete Giannakoulis. At 6-4, Macik is too big for secondaries. He is coming off a 72-catch, 13-TD season, both school records. Stokes ran up over 121 yards per game and had 272 against Princeton.

Graduation wounded the league's stingiest defense, which yielded fewer than 100

yards per game rushing, but there are reinforcements in end Michael Turner and line-backer Pat Goodwillie, who led the unit with 106 tackles. There is experience at cornerback but a replacement must be found for strong safety Jimmy Magallanes.

PRINCETON

Steve Tosches knows the drill. The Princeton coach did it a few years back when Judd Garrett left. Now Keith Elias is gone, as are four I-AA and 21 school records and maybe the most prolific runner in Ivy history. "I remember when it was Judd Garrett who walked on water, and we thought we would never have another one," Tosches said. Next? "We think we have a couple of young kids who are pretty special," he said. They do, but they won't make up for Elias and 15 others lost to graduation. One special player returning is senior offensive lineman Carl Teter, who at 6-6 and 305 pounds carries the label of "The Beast" and is considered an NFL prospect. Another honors candidate is senior safety Mark Berkowitz.

The offense has to reload. Seniors C. J. Brucato and Bill Jordan are candidates at running back. Quarterback is also a problem with the departure of Joel Foote, who passed for 1,632 yards and seven TDs last season and was 15-3 as a starter. Senior



TOM NASH Colgate

Brett Huckelbridge and junior Bruce Harvey, neither with a varsity completion, are candidates. Across the line, Dave Patterson, coming off a big sophomore season in which he led the team in tackles and solo stops, heads the linebacking corps and is being counted on for another big effort since the top five linemen from 1993 have graduated.

HARVARD

Joe Restic is gone after 23 seasons and Tim Murphy becomes only the third coach in the school's history. (John Yovicsin, 1957-70, was the first.) Murphy arrives from Cincinnati, where he guided the Bearcats to their best record in 17 years. Murphy knows rebuilding. In 1989, at the age of 32, he was the youngest head coach in Division I and running one of its worst programs, with only 59 scholarships (the fewest in the nation), playing in a condemned stadium, and with no practice facilities. Now his job is to re-

build a team that won only one league game last fall and lost one of its top weapons in quarterback Mike Giardi, who threatened most of the school passing records. The Crimson figures to bank on its ground game with senior tailback Mark Cote (4.9-yard average) and junior fullback David Sprinkle (5.2). Two potential big-play runners are soph Eion Hu and junior Kweli Thompson, whose productivity has been hampered by injuries. The quarterback figures to Vin Ferrara, who has two years of eligibility and whose strong suit is mobility. He may need it since four starters are gone from the line.

Senior end Doug Anderson, quick at 6-3 and 240 pounds, will be a key to the defense and senior Ed Kinney will lead the linebackers in their newly installed four-man front.

BROWN

Mark Whipple, 36, takes over as head coach from Mickey Kwiatkowski and brings an impressive résumé from New Haven, where his "Whip-Lash" offense produced 48 victories in 65 decisions and ranked in the top 20 offensively for five of his six years. His unit led all NCAA divisions in scoring (50.5 points per game) and total offense (587.7 yards) in 1992 and his '93 team averaged 52.5 points. Brown has not seen better days since Whipple graduated in 1978 after being a member of the school's only Ivy League championship team in 1976 and starting at quarterback in 1977-78 when the Bruins finished second each time.

The Bruins return six all-Ivy selections, including quarterback Trevor Yankoff, who passed for 833 yards and rushed for 200 as Brown won two of its last three games. Yankoff will recognize almost his entire receiving corps, led by Charlie Buckley (31 catches for 535 yards and 5 TDs). Marquis Jessie ran for 823 yards and had a school single-game record of 237 yards against Columbia. His numbers may rise since four of five starters return in the line, headed by Rene Abdalah. Bob Warden, who had 10 field goals last fall, is also back, but the Bruins, who return 10 of 11 defensive regulars, will have to cut down on their 26 points per-game allowance of 1993.

DARTMOUTH

The Big Green lost the first game of last season to Penn, 10-6, and didn't lose again in the league. Unfortunately for them, neither did the Quakers, who broke a three-game stranglehold on Dartmouth's league reign. Coming that close to the title again won't be easy, especially with quarterback Jay Fiedler gone. Coach John Lyons is still searching for Fiedler's successor, with senior Ryan Nally, junior Ren Riley, and sophomore Jon Aljancic looking for playing time. With Fiedler gone, the focus of the offense will change. The role of running back Pete Oberle, who flourished in the final six games of the season after being out with a shoulder injury, will likely be increased. "Once he was healthy and playing, Pete made a difference," Lyons said. Gone with Fiedler is all-Ivy John Hyland, but seniors David Shearer (41 catches for 627 yards and 5 TDs) and Andre Grant (31-606-5) remain.

The key to the defense will be the line-backing corps, led by seniors Hunter Buckner, a pass-rushing threat from his outside

position, and Josh Bloom. Success may hinge on putting heat on the quarterback, since the secondary is inexperienced.

CORNELL

The Big Red played the league's elite tough last season, 10 points separating them from victories over Princeton, Dartmouth, and champion Penn (17-14 loss in the final game). Getting that close in big games again may be a major challenge. The personnel losses include three-year starting quarterback Bill Lazor, who took 27 school passing and total-offense records with him at graduation, and linebacker Chris Zingo, a consensus All-America who set game, season, and career tackle marks.

Whoever emerges as the starting quarterback will have experienced targets in Aaron Berryman and Ron Mateo and in 6-5 tight end Jimmy Seifert, who sat out early in 1993



TERRANCE STOKES Penn

with injuries before getting the starting job. The running game appears to be in the hands of sophomore Chad Levitt, who averaged 5.4 yards and was one of only two freshmen to win a letter last fall. He should get some room from a line led by tackle Matt McKean (6-5, 276).

Seniors John Vitullo and John Wagner draw the assignment of filling Zingo's vacancy, but both have experience. "Chris Zingo may not be replaceable, but faced with the depletion of an All-America linebacker, we couldn't be better off than we are now," is coach Jim Hofher's endorsement of the pair.

YALE

The Bulldogs never had a chance last season. In their first game they lost all-Ivy running back Keith Price, starting quarterback Chris Hetherington, and top wide receiver Dave Feuerstein. It didn't appear things could get worse, but they did: 25 players were out with injuries in the final four games of a dismal 3-7 season and the Eli finished last in the league in three offensive categories (rushing, scoring, and total offense).

Let the rebuilding begin, and start with Hetherington, who completed three of four passes in the 1993 opener before his season ended with a groin injury. The 6-3 junior will now compete with classmate Kevin

Mayer for the starting role. Two backs, David Dixon and Bob Nelson, combined for 260 of the team's 275 rushing attempts last season; if Price returns to form, the workload figures to be split between him and Nelson, who led the team with 544 yards. Wide receiver Dave Iwan departed with a single-season record of 873 yards on 46 catches, but he left his brother, Dan, as his successor. Feuerstein's return will also help.

The doubts on offense extend to the line, which lost four regulars. Thus it will be up to the defense to keep the Eli competitive. And the front four, headed by tackle John Lykouratzos, who had nine tackles for loss, returns, as does linebacker Carl Ricci, who recorded 166 tackles, the second-highest total in Yale history.

COLUMBIA

Nothing new here, as improvement would be an improvement. The highlight of last season was a 29-24 upset of Cornell, but the league's worst defensive team has lost its best player, all-Ivy end Sean Nichols, three other starters on the line, plus rover Mark Calveric, a second-team all-Ivy honoree. Linebackers Jake Lill and Dan Petrone and cornerbacks Ralph Hudson and Gary Edmonds are the returning regulars.

If the Lions are going to get it done, they will have to do it with offense, which generated 77 points in the last four games a year



MARQUIS JESSIE Brown

ago. Tackle Tony Petras (6-5, 275), one of four returning starters in the line, is an all-Ivy candidate, as is Brian Bassett (34 catches for 398 yards), whom coach Ray Tellier labels the best tight end in the league. Senior Jamie Schwabe, who passed for 1,140 yards last fall despite being sacked 13 times, will get a challenge at quarterback from junior Mike Cavanaugh, who was impressive in mop-up duty. The outlook is not promising. While the offense could put up some numbers, so could a defense that surrendered more than 29 points per game in '93.

yankee conference

predictions

yankee conference

1. Delaware 2. Boston University
3. Massachusetts 4. James Madison
5. Northeastern 6. Connecticut
7. New Hampshire
8. William & Mary
9. Rhode Island 10. Maine
11. Villanova 12. Richmond

Defense will take a fall holiday in the Yankee Conference, where offenses will keep fans on the edge of their seats. It may take five or six touchdowns to win a game because the league is filled with quick-striking, skilled players. Three teams reached the I-AA playoffs a year ago. The number could grow. That's how strong the conference should be in 1994, a season that will be worth remembering. The leader of the pack will again be Delaware, a perennial juggernaut that has sufficient firepower to trade touchdowns with anybody. Contenders can be found everywhere, starting with Boston University, Massachusetts, and James Madison. But there promise to be surprises each week, depending on whose quarterback has the hot hand. From top to bottom, the Yankee Conference has never been more explosive.

DELAWARE

(9-4) Tubby Raymond enters his 29th season with 232 victories and 18 players who have starting experience from a team that finished third in the Yankee Conference. The Blue Hens have almost all the main characters from a star-studded offense that rolled up 37.3 points and nearly 300 yards rushing per game. Daryl Brown, a 6-3, 245-pound senior, picked up 1,469 yards and 13 TDs, running his school record to 3,286 rushing yards. Sophomore halfback Norman Coleman and junior Pat Williams complement him. Leo Hamlett and Keith Langan are vying for the quarterback job. Langan started six games and passed for 756 yards and seven touchdowns and Hamlett came on strong, sparking the 49-48 comeback victory over Montana in the playoffs and starting in the 34-31 loss to Marshall in the quarterfinals. The receiving corps is thin and the offensive line must be rebuilt, but the attack shouldn't miss a beat with Brown and Co. running up and down the field.

A defense that was shredded for 28.2 points per game hopes to improve with strong performances from tackles Mark Spinelli and Greg Ventresca, linebacker Pat Mulhern, and safety Kenny Bailey.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

What can Dan Allen and his Terriers do for an encore? They can't be expected to duplicate last season's 12-1 record—the greatest turnaround in I-AA history. Picked to finish 11th in the league, they compiled the school's first undefeated and untied record

in the regular season and reached the playoffs for the first time since 1984.

Let's start with the good news: Quarterback Robert Dougherty, the Yankee Conference and ECAC Division I Player of the Year, is back. A transfer in his first season at Boston University, Dougherty completed 55 percent for 2,875 yards and 18 touchdowns and rushed for 380 yards and 11 TDs. Wideouts Carnell Henderson, Edmund Mantle, and Ron Stephenson, who combined for 115 catches for 1,442 yards and 11 TDs, also return. Don Benaglio will run behind a line headed by center Andre Maksimow and guard Mike Pedone. Now for the bad news: The Terriers must find a way to replace the 1,336 rushing yards of Zack Burwell and the 61 catches for 897 yards and seven TDs by Jason Andrade.

The defense should again be solid thanks to All-America safety Chris Helon, whose 12 interceptions led all divisions last season, linebacker Andrew Brennan, and a veteran crew up front. BU's secret weapon is Mike Morello, who handles the punting and place-kicking and booted 15 field goals in '93.

MASSACHUSETTS

So close, but not quite. That was the story of 1993 for the Minutemen, whose eight victories tied a school record but weren't enough to get them into the playoffs. They won seven of their final eight games, including a 43-29 decision over Delaware.

UMass returns many of those responsible for the numerous school offense records. Tailback Rene Ingoglia rushed for 1,285 yards and 14 TDs and had 13 catches for 165 yards. Speedy sophomore Frank Alessio should get more carries with the departure of John Johnson. Sophomore quarterback Vito Campanile flashed his potential when he started the final four games (and won three) after Andrew McNeilly was hurt. Eric Oke provided another scoring threat, making 14 of 22 field-goal attempts. The big-play defenders are cornerbacks in Breon Parker (7 interceptions) and Tony Williams and end Brian Corcoran, who had 12 sacks. Rejoining him on the line are Vernard Fennell, Silas Burke, Ben Albert, and Ken Bello.

The Minutemen face a rugged schedule that features defending national champion Youngstown State and has them on the road for five of their first seven games.

JAMES MADISON

Expectations are great because coach Rip Scherer returns 18 starters and 39 of the top 44 players from a 6-5 team that won four of its final seven and averaged a school-record 34.1 points, 218.2 yards passing, and 393.5 total yards per game last year. The Dukes, who scored more than 50 points twice and 40 three times, will go as far as Mike Cawley's arm can carry them. He completed 54.8 percent for 1,988 yards and 14 TDs in his debut after transferring from Syracuse. Fullback Steve Agee is back after leading the team with 467 yards rushing and 10 TDs. Other productive returnees in the backfield are Rhadshaun Miles, D'Artagnan Townes, Paul Harris, and Kelvin Jeter. The receiving corps features Juan Dorsey, whose role will be increased with the loss of David McLeod's 64 receptions and 1,207 yards.

The defense, which was improved in 1993

after taking its lumps in '92, should continue to get better. The cornerstones are cornerback Dwight Robinson, who returned two kickoffs for touchdowns and was the Dukes' No. 2 tackler, linebacker Clint Dunn, and tackle Tyrone Washington.

NORTHEASTERN

Barry Gallup's Huskies know how to play the game only one way on offense: all-out all the time. They'll try anything and everything from the run-and-shoot. All the skill people are back from a 2-9 team whose record was a bit deceptive because four of the losses were by a total of 13 points. This could be the season the Huskies turn it around and contend for the Yankee Conference crown.

It all starts with senior quarterback Clarzell Pearl, who passed for 1,885 yards and 12 touchdowns and rushed for 157 yards and two TDs despite missing two games. He'll hook up with a quartet of veteran receivers: Brian Vaughn, Tom Monios, Chris Brady, and Desmond Bellot. When the Huskies go to a two-back set, which they'll do on occasion, Kevin Williams, Ike Wilkins, and Vaughn will get the call. The line will rely on center Jim Bailey and tackle Brian Chamberlain to hold the fort until the youngsters gain much-needed experience.

A defense that allowed 53 points against William & Mary and 52 against James Madison must stiffen up and give the offense an opportunity to win some games. The returnees include linebackers David Atwood and Reggie Thornton, end Josh Heinrich, tackle Dan Schena, and free safety Jason Seapker (last year's leading tackler).

CONNECTICUT

The name has a familiar ring to it: Holtz. No, not Lou, but his son, Skip, who at age 30 is one of the youngest Division I coaches in the country. But the younger Holtz has packed a lot of football in his days as an assistant at Notre Dame, Florida State, and Colorado.

Offense is what Holtz knows best, which means the Huskies will spread the field and attack with a variety of weapons. Junior quarterback Zeke Rodgers, a three-year starter, passed for 1,705 yards and seven touchdowns and is on pace to become the school's all-time leader. He'll have to cut down on his 12 interceptions if the Huskies are to improve upon a 6-5 record. UConn boasts a 1-2 running punch unmatched in the Yankee Conference. Wilbur Gilliard had 1,099 and 17 TDs last fall. Ed Long, limited by a series of nagging injuries, rushed for 473 yards and six TDs. The team's most athletic player may be wide receiver Monte Nowden (52 catches for 756 yards). The offensive line is anchored by Sherrard Joseph and Pat Walsh, a pair of 300-pounders. The stalwarts on defense are up front: Brian Gleason, Ryan Coutant, and Dean Cassimatis.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

If you're in the market for a bona fide dark horse, check out these Wildcats. They've been climbing in the standings the past couple of seasons and seem to have the firepower to stay in the league race, but they also play defense, a trait lacking in some of the other contenders. Ten of the top 11 tacklers are back, including Jim Concannon, Warren Armes, and Sean Finneran.

The Wildcats can move the football through the air on the arm of Jim Stayer and on the ground with Avrom Smith and Lee McClinton. Stayer, who split time last season with Rich Green, completed 55 percent for 1,141 yards and eight touchdowns. Smith rushed for 1,050 yards and 11 TDs and McClinton, also the leading returning receiver, had 513 yards and five TDs. The Wildcats averaged 28 points per game, soaring for 63 against Maine, 51 against Rhode Island, and 45 against Villanova.



WILBUR GILLIARD Connecticut

WILLIAM & MARY

You make the call. Jimmye Laycock's lineup will be fortified by the return of half the starters from a 9-3 playoff team or decimated by the loss of half the starters.

The name of the game again will be offense, with senior quarterback Shawn Knight the catalyst who keeps defenses honest so the two-pronged running attack of Derek Fitzgerald and Troy Keen can be effective. Like so many of the Yankee Conference teams, the Indians will put points on the board—in a hurry and from anywhere on the field. Knight was nearly flawless a year ago as he led Division I-AA in passing efficiency (204.6 rating), completing 69 percent for 2,235 yards and 22 touchdowns. He is dangerous because he rarely puts the ball up for grabs and can turn an apparent loss into a big gain with his scrambling. Fitzgerald (1,101 yards, 10 TDs) is a slippery runner who hits the holes in a flash and Keen (650 yards, 14 TDs) grinds out the tough yardage near the goal line. They'll operate behind a line anchored by tackle John Stern, the only veteran. The top receivers are Mike Tomlin and Terry Hammons.

Linebackers Greg Applewhite and Jason Miller and ends Mike Bertoni and Melvin Griffin key the defense that has a completely rebuilt secondary.

RHODE ISLAND

Floyd Keith's second year will be exciting, if nothing else, thanks to sophomore quarterback Chris Hixson, the 1993 Yankee Conference and ECAC Rookie of the Year. Hixson set URI's all-time completion rate (60.2), passing for 2,218 yards and 12 touchdowns. An even bigger Hixson reported to spring practice after spending the offseason in the weight room. The Rams are well-fortified at quarterback with backup Tony Squitieri, who threw for 1,958 yards and 11 TDs in 1992. Their sure-handed targets are Bobby Apgar (40 catches for 744 yards and 7 TDs) and the versatile Cy Butler. The Rams are thin at running back because Frantzy Jourdain, last year's leading rusher, injured his knee in the spring and may be lost for the season. Ohio State transfer Travis McGuire will challenge Cameron Pooler (346 yards) at tailback and Kevin Quinn and James Krause will compete at fullback. When the offense stalls, the Rams can count on Skip Thomas, who booted 17 of 25 field goals last fall and needs just eight to become the school's career leader.

The linebackers are the backbone of the defense, spearheaded by Lou D'Agostino, who will be joined by Lucien Belanger and Troy Rothmann.

MAINE

Jack Cosgrove's first season was filled with "what ifs" and "what could have beens" as the Black Bears went 3-8, losing three games by three points or less. He should enjoy his second season a lot more because 16 starters are back, including quarterback Emilio Colon, who has thrown for 4,700 yards in his career to rank second in school history. Colon completed 51.7 percent for 1,603 yards and 11 TDs last fall. Tight end Brian Gaine (26 catches) and wide receiver Steve Cates (22) will try to fill the void left by Frizell Davis and his 1,381 career yards receiving. The Black Bears are deep in the backfield with fullback Steve Knight (a team-high 559 yards) and tailbacks Bob Jameson (427) and Andre Pam (137). The biggest question up front is the status of Mike Flynn, who hasn't fully recovered from last fall's knee surgery after his season was cut short in October.

There's no question the defense needs to shore up after allowing nearly 30 points per game. The anchor will again be linebacker Ross Fichthorn, the leading tackler (162) in the conference. He also excelled in the classroom, where he is an Academic All-America. The line is solid with Todd Park, George McDonald, and Rob Shaw. The secondary features Greg Mikell.

VILLANOVA

There were times last year when Andy Talley must have thought he was in charge of a M*A*S*H unit instead of a football team. With so many of his players injured, he had to check with his trainer before making out a lineup. The manpower losses took their toll as the Wildcats slipped to 3-8 for their first losing record in Talley's nine seasons.

Talley's troupes will have to stay healthy in '94 if the Wildcats are to return to their winning ways. The most significant move Talley made in the spring was switching Eric Hunt from tailback to receiver. Hunt led the team

with 32 receptions and was second in rushing (331 yards). Sophomore Erik Pearson will get first crack at the quarterback job after passing for 1,225 yards and four touchdowns in a limited role in '93. He will be challenged by Tom Marchese and Mike Rusnak. The line is a strength with Dick Ras, Jose Ramirez, Ante Benzija, and Andy Weidl.

The defensive line could be built around Remo Guarnieri, who is coming off knee surgery. Greg Ziegler is expected to be ready after missing much of the spring with a separated shoulder, and Devian Logan will return to the secondary if his knee is 100 percent. Mark Baker will bolster the linebacking corps after starting at end and cornerback Curtis Dunaway is the returning leader in tackles and interceptions.

RICHMOND

Remember all those long scoring passes and runs that have been a trademark of the Spiders the past several seasons? Well, you better have a good memory, because almost all of the players who generated that excitement are gone, leaving Jim Marshall with a major rebuilding job on offense.

For a change, the Spiders will be forced to rely on defense to win games. There are six returning starters on the unit, with senior cornerback Maurice Glenn and linebackers Ray Geoffroy and Edmond Mintah the leaders. Scott Burton always seems to be where the ball is, which explains his 13 career interceptions, and safety Brian Lyle and lineman Teo Ngatuvai are being counted on after missing the '93 season with knee injuries. Linebacker Matt Lilly and lineman Chris Plunkett will have expanded roles.

The offense will have to rally around running back Uly Scott and linemen C.J. Lindhjem and Matt Farmer, the only returnees. Scott was a workhorse last season, carrying 234 times for 1,025 yards and four TDs. Jason Gabrels will inherit the quarterback job after passing for 497 yards and four TDs in a part-timer role last fall. The line will be rebuilt with Brad Butkovich and Jon Pritchett moving over from defense.

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1. Iona 2. Canisius 3. St. John's
4. Duquesne 5. Georgetown
6. Marist 7. St. Peter's 8. Siena

IONA

Coach Harold Crocker warns his players about the aftermath of winning a title: "I tell the kids it's great getting here, but tougher staying here. Obviously, I don't like the role of favorite."

He doesn't have a choice, certainly not with quarterback Tom Proudian returning. "He's sensational," St. John's Coach Ricca said. "They're definitely the team to beat because of his presence." Proudian, who also punts for the 9-2 Gaels, had a superb sophomore season, completing 59.5 percent of his passes for 3,378 yards and 29 TDs. Against Siena, he completed 32 of 47 for

485 yards and six touchdowns. Proudian lost his top rusher, James McMahon, and top receiver, Eugene McGowan, from his run-and-shoot offense, but returns wideout Tim Silo (54 catches for 865 yards). Senior guard Emory Moody heads the line. Across the line is MAAC Defensive Player of the Year Vin Santelia, who had 12½ sacks, and John Calandros.

The Gaels probably won't be cocky considering the way their season ended. After beating St. John's to end a 12-year losing streak against the Redmen, they lost an ECAC Bowl Game at home, 32-0, to Wagner, a team they had beaten, 30-23, on the road six weeks earlier.

CANISIUS

The Golden Griffins were positively schizophrenic last year, starting 0-5 and finishing 5-0. "It was quite unusual," coach Barry Mynter said. Whether the momentum continues into this season depends on quarterback Ben Kucia's improvement and Mynter's ability to work in new players. The Griffins lost 12 of 22 starters. Kucia's potential was vivid against St. John's when he threw for 356 yards. For the season, he threw for 1,231 yards, but completed only 42.1 percent with eight touchdowns and 10 interceptions. His prime receiver is splint end Mark Kolbe (44 catches), last season's MAAC Co-Rookie of the Year. The ground game is solid, thanks to tailback Turhan Jordan (987 yards) and fullback Kirk Deshaies (308). "We're pretty high on Kirk," said Mynter. "His emergence coincided with our turnaround." The line lost big Roger Malcolm, but replaces him with Brian Parkin.

The defensive line will be strengthened considerably with Frank Zabawa and Mike Duffy both healthy. Zabawa was redshirted after a knee injury in the Griffins' second game. Duffy also missed four games with a knee injury. Senior captain Brandon Crotty heads the linebackers. Gone from the secondary are all-MAAC free safety Greg Pelletier and cornerback Dave Fraterrigo, who also led the nation in kickoff returns with a 37.3-yard average.

ST. JOHN'S

All coach Bob Ricca has to do is replace tailback Anthony Russo. "We can replace Anthony if they let me play three different people at the same time," he said. They won't, which means the loss of quarterback Sean Sharkey leaves the 8-3 Red Storm depleted on offense. "We'll rely on defense," Ricca said. Five of the top six tacklers return: linebackers Walter DeForest and Christopher Carew, backs Stephen DeAmicis, Mark Bernardini, and Ken Forte (5 interceptions), and end Ray Lambright.

The receiver corps features wideouts Tom MacPherson (33 catches for 563 yards and 9 TDs), Tom Guidice, and John O'Leary with Dan Parker back at tight end. Oh, yeah, the backfield. Help! The quarterback job goes to either Tom Kleine, who threw 10 passes last season, or Scott Moxim, who threw two. At fullback, John Anitra makes an encore performance. He had decent stats two years ago (5.9-yard average), moved to linebacker last fall, and now has switched back. Tailback has a glaring vacancy.

DUQUESNE

The Dukes have a new conference and a new home, Arthur J. Rooney Field. Although they went 1-2 against MAAC opponents last season (4-6 overall), the mood is decidedly upbeat as 20 of 22 starters return for second-year coach Greg Gattuso, the starting nose guard on Penn State's 1982 national championship team. Duquesne's notable loss is tailback Mike Haines, the school's No. 3 all-time rusher. But this young team still has firepower. Quarterback Brian Staines's sophomore season was promising (school-record 1,387 passing yards and 11 TDs). Soph flanker Mark Neely had a team-high 24 catches. Also back are junior tailback Bill Green (274 yards) and senior fullback Todd Killian. Four starters, led by senior center Sean Curran, a converted defensive lineman, return on the offensive line.

Defensively, the standouts are linebackers Paul Duffy and Kenny Smith (112 tackles each) and end John Wojciechowski (9 sacks). The secondary will be much improved with the return of two seniors who sat out last season with injuries: Damon Barry and Matt Stark.

GEORGETOWN

Eleven is certainly a football number. It's also the number of all-MAAC Academics the Hoyas had last fall. The rest of the MAAC had 10. On the field, the Hoyas played better than their 4-5 record. They were first in the country in pass efficiency defense and ninth in scoring defense (15.1). Seven starters return to the 5-2 alignment, led by linebacker Tom Wonica (97 tackles, 3 sacks) and backs Joe Eacobacci and Mike Sedor, and tackles Jim Klessel and Enrico Mariani.

The offensive line is strong, too, with center Steve Colello and tackles Murray Happer and Derek deBakker. Quarterback Bill Ring had a promising freshman season. His starting backfield is gone, but Dan Cunniffe (439 yards) and Marc Hall saw plenty of action. Joshua Mayer and Chris Colman head the receiving corps. All-MAAC punter Joe Piscatella averaged 36.8 yards and pinned opponents inside their 20-yard-line 20 times. Brendan Gaughan made seven of 13 field goals and all 18 of his PATs.

MARIST

With its offense pretty well depleted, Marist's initial season in the MAAC will be challenging, even though the Red Foxes went 2-2 against league opponents and 5-5 overall last fall. Defense will carry them. The only established offensive threat is senior tailback Kyle Carraro, the No. 2 rusher (455 yards) and No. 3 receiver (14 catches). Pete Ford, who threw just six passes a year ago, is the likely quarterback. His biggest target will be senior tight end Mike Milo, who was on the way to a big season before separating his shoulder in the third game. Junior wideout Chris D'Autorito, who booted a 40-yard field goal, doubles as kicker. The line lost three starters but returns tackle Kevin McGuinness and guard Gerry DelGais.

Experienced and talented underclassmen head the defense. Junior tackles Jeff Saccomanno and Joe Jarjura combined for 15 sacks. At linebacker, junior Roger Hancock (team-high 88 tackles) and sophomore John

Saginario are back. In the secondary, all four starters return, led by senior Bryan Oles and sophomore Malik Woodard, who led the team in interceptions (5) and was the only freshman named all-ECAC in '93.

ST. PETER'S

Mark Collins, the former defensive coordinator at Wagner, makes his head coaching debut with a team that flirted with a decent record. Two-point losses to Monmouth and Central Connecticut and a one-point defeat to St. John's in the season opener brought St. Peter's down to 3-7. Collins is the first full-time head coach the school has had since gaining Division III status in 1970.

Quarterback Anthony Guma (1,502 yards passing and 13 TDs), fullback Donny Rosso (295 yards rushing), and wideout Ray Marshall (49 catches for 600 yards and 3 TDs) will work to make Collins's initial season a success. Marshall led the nation in punt returns (14.3-yard average). Guma doubles as the place-kicker/punter. Guard Joe Se-



TURHAN JORDAN Canisius

Harry Scull Jr.

garra keys the offensive line. The strength of the defense is at linebacker: sophomore Matt Nieder (150 tackles), junior William Bryant, and senior Frank Bal.

SIENA

The closest brushes Siena had with a victory last fall were 15-point losses to Stonehill and Canisius. Ouch! "We were in almost every game," coach Jack DuBois said. "The kids fought in every game." The Saints will fare better this fall if they can produce enough offense to complement sophomore tailback Jeff Sawulski, last season's MAAC co-Rookie of the Year. He'll be a marked man after rushing for 785 yards, a robust 5.1 average, and four touchdowns, one a 95-yarder, in his freshman year. He ran for 253 yards against Iona. Parker Phinney and Tony Galiani can take some of the pressure off Sawulski. Senior quarterbacks Damon Bieniek and Tom Stanton must cut down on turnovers. Speedy senior David Fryer (21 catches) will be their frequent go-to man. Three starters return on the line, but tight end is vacant.

Senior second-team all-MAAC tackle Tom Carntick (94 tackles), linebackers Scott

Hartman and Jason Ellis, and senior safety T.J. Sabotka (4 interceptions) lead the defense. Sabotka averaged 7.1 yards on punt returns, making only one fair catch in 21 chances.

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1. Wagner 2. Hofstra
3. Central Connecticut 4. Buffalo
5. Monmouth 6. St. Francis (PA)
7. Robert Morris

WAGNER

Moving from Division III to I-AA didn't even make the Seahawks flinch. They just kept on winning, finishing 9-2 under Walt Hameline, whose gaudy coaching record is 104-32-2, a 76.1 percentage. "Great players," Hameline dead-pans. "I had nothing to do with it. Very little." Coaching had something to do with Wagner's 30-23 loss to Iona turning into a 32-0 rout of Iona in the ECAC Bowl seven weeks later.

Wagner, which won the Division III national championship in 1987, must replace its two leading tacklers, Bryan Devone and Ryan Tobin, punter/kicker Dan Ricciardi, and Academic All-American offensive lineman Phil Hirt. Other than that, the Seahawks seem certain to continue winning behind senior quarterback Jason Cue (48.1 percent, 2,472 yards, 15 TDs, 12 interceptions). He's got his two top runners back. All Kito Lockwood did was lead the team in rushing (631 yards) and receiving (33 catches for 498 yards). He also had an 85-yard kickoff-return TD. Tremayne Hughes rejoins him in the backfield. The leading receivers are senior wideout Pat Connolly (27-482) and sophomore tight end Bill Sommers (13-240). Junior guard Rick Grimaldi and senior tackle Vincent Caporaso head the line. Wagner led the nation in rushing defense (87.0 yards), and will flourish again behind end Anthony Harper, tackle William Snell, and backs James Lorenzo (5 interceptions) and Roger Fiddemon.

HOFSTRA

The Flying Dutchmen eased their way into Division I-AA by playing six I-AA opponents in 1991 and seven in '92. When they went to all I-AA last fall, they prospered: a 6-3-1 record thanks to a 5-0-1 finish. "We really finished strong," said fifth-year coach Joe Gardi, a former nine-year assistant with the New York Jets. "Our defense, which has all our impact people back, was dominating."

But whether the Dutchmen fly higher in '94 doesn't center around the 17 returning starters, but rather the new quarterback. Record-setting and team MVP George Beisel, who passed for more than 6,000 yards, has graduated. Junior Kharon Brown seems to have the best shot at the job. He completed 16 of 33 passes for 195 yards and two TDs last fall. Seniors Carlos Garay, Jon Camera, and Michael Doto will also compete for the spot. Everywhere else, talent and experience abound. Junior running back Hayward Cromartie (409 yards) is joined in the backfield by Jeff Becchetti, who missed several

games with a turf toe injury. Three receivers make Hofstra's shoot-and-run explosive: Wayne Chrebet (57 catches for 788 yards and 9 TDs), Michael Wright, and Nick Johnson. Whoever wins the QB job should get lots of protection from a line with four starters, led by guard Dave Fiore, returning.

Nine starters are back in Hofstra's 4-3 defense. The line, which accounted for 163 tackles and 19 sacks, returns intact. The two linebackers are superb: Herve Damas and Joey Driver. Cornerbacks Tyvan Sunday and Pat Shanahan and safety George Ferrentino return in the secondary along with Lee Harris and Dante Gilliam. Of Harris, who is recovered from an injury, Gardi said, "I think the young man has everything it takes to be a safety in the pros."

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT

The Blue Devils showed a lot of character last fall. After a staggering 72-18 loss to C.W. Post left them 2-5, they won their last three games to finish at .500. "Our players just refused to give up," coach Sal Cintorino said. The 5-5 record was the Devils' best since 1989.

The Devils weren't short on thrillers last season, losing to St. Francis on a field goal with four seconds left and to Marist on a TD pass with 19 seconds remaining. They also beat St. Peter's, 9-7, on Nelson Mingachos's 21-yard-field goal with 1:19 left. Junior quarterback Sam Tirone (1,678 yards, 11 TDs) set four school records. He burned Iona for 322 yards in a 24-13 victory. Senior split end Heston Sutman had 13 catches in the C.W. Post game and led the team in receptions (33), yards (471), and TDs (5). But the Devils are far from one-dimensional. Junior fullback Anthony English (437 yards) and tailback Duane Shirden, who scored three of his six TDs in the St. Francis game, get to run behind four returning starters on the line.

The defense, which ranked ninth nationally in turnover margin, returns eight regulars, including Darian Coleman and Andy Borst, who each had four interceptions, and Davee Silas plus linebacker Jay Perez.

BUFFALO

Coach Jim Ward labeled the Bulls' 1-10 initial season in I-AA as "a year to grow and learn." But they haven't learned how to ease up on their schedule, with I-AA national champion Youngstown State back for a return engagement. Regardless, if the Bulls can improve even moderately on defense—they allowed 32 points per game—this will be a season of marked improvement.

Quarterback Cliff Scott (2,263 passing yards, 9 TDs, 16 interceptions) is a handful to stop. He's already run for 746 yards, a school record for quarterbacks. Leading rusher Sunil Motley (670 yards) returns and may be joined by freshman fullback Brad Bess, who was redshirted last fall with an injured thumb. Bess had a spectacular prep career with 35 TDs in his senior season. The offensive line retains guard Jason Sulenski and three other regulars.

Senior nose guard Todd Schaffer heads a defensive line which must generate more pressure on the quarterbacks. Buffalo recorded just 25 sacks last year while allowing 57. Linebackers Vince Canosa (12½ sacks), Pete Conley (team-leading 84 tack-

les), and Craig Guest are the heart of the unit. Terrance Fisher (5 interceptions) and senior Kareem Stroman are back in the secondary. Kicker Mark Mozrall was 7 of 10 on field goals including a 51-yarder, while punter Gerald Carlson had a 34.9-yard average.

MONMOUTH

A 2-5 initial season in I-AA could have been worse for the Hawks. They beat St. Peter's (44-42) and Albright (15-14) on last-minute field goals by freshman Randy Brewster. The Hawks will improve. They return all 22 starters and have just one senior on the 85-man roster. Junior quarterback Doug Rossback completed 56 percent of his passes for 1,905 yards and eight TDs. Unfortunately, he also threw 16 interceptions. Tailback Jim Varick (6.9-yard average) and fullback Ralph O'Neil complete the backfield. Monmouth had six players with more than 10 receptions, topped by Marcus Winters (34) and William Holder (25). Heading the defense are linebackers Joe Little and Chris Orsogna and end Tim Canavan.

ST. FRANCIS (PA)

The Red Flash's initial season in Division I-AA started out 3-3. Then the bottom fell out with four straight losses. There's more bad news. St. Francis lost quarterback Kevin Magee, who threw for more than 5,000 yards in three seasons; Todd Eckenroed, the school's career record-holder for receptions and yardage; and free safety Michael Graziana, their all-time leader in interceptions.

Sixth-year coach Frank Pergolizzi hasn't been left empty. Senior tailback Kevin Keenan (444 yards) and junior wide receiver Elliot Miller (57 catches) will give senior quarterback Scott Black weapons. An offensive line with four starters back will give him time. Black, however, threw only 22 passes the entire season. Defensively, the Red Flash are led by senior inside linebacker Dwayne Eck, a converted running back who had a team-high 128 tackles. Senior tackle P.J. Petrarco (59 tackles, 5 sacks) heads the line, while in the secondary, Jason Wilson needs four interceptions to become the school's all-time leader.

ROBERT MORRIS

New York Jets ex-coaches are everywhere. Joe Walton, head coach of the Jets (1983-89) and offensive coordinator with the nearby Pittsburgh Steelers (1990-91), accepted the immense challenge of starting a program here from scratch. He was born and raised in Beaver Falls, 20 miles from Robert Morris. "When I left the Steelers, I decided to stay in the area," he said. "I thought it would be a great thing for me to do: start a new football team and work with kids again."

Figuring out who his players will be this fall is an exercise in speculation. Top candidates include quarterback Ron Kamzelski from nearby Ambridge, PA; 6-7, 330-pound offensive lineman Doug Dittman from Fairfield, OH; running back Ralph Clark from Reston, VA.; wideout Eric Dudek from New Kensington, PA.; defensive end Jason Henley from West Point Prep in New Jersey, and one junior: tight end/defensive end Kevin Paschuck. He transferred from the International Culinary Institute in Pittsburgh, where he was a chef. It'll be interesting. □

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7. Iowa State 8. Oklahoma State

NEBRASKA

(11-1, 7-0) Only a team with the depth of the Cornhuskers could lose the Big Eight's first three-time scoring champion and two-time rushing champion (Calvin Jones) and not be worried about his early departure to the NFL. But tailback Lawrence Phillips, who capped his freshman season by outperforming Jones against Florida State in the Orange Bowl, is so highly regarded that coach Tom Osborne anticipates no drop-off in the conference's No. 1 running attack.

By their standards, the Cornhuskers were not prolific on the ground last year, primarily because Jones was injured in the opener and did not regain his sophomore form after

TOMMIE FRAZIER Nebraska

missing two games. Frazier missed two games after being injured in the opener. Phillips was a major reason the Cornhuskers won when their two stars were restricted. He rushed for 508 yards, including 137 against UCLA and 64 in the fourth quarter against Florida State. With Damon Benning and Clinton Childs, each of whom was a blue-chip recruit, as experienced backups, the nearest thing Nebraska has to a question on offense glimmers with promise.

Frazier, coming off 283 yards in total offense against Florida State, should continue the improvement he made in his passing last year. He is surrounded by seniors and fronted by 300-pound blockers. Tackles Rob Zatechka and Zach Wiegert, guard Brenden Stai, center Aaron Graham, fullback Cory Schlesinger, and wingback Abdul Muhammad are returning starters. Two of the new starters, guard Joel Wilks (275) and tight end Matt Shaw, are seniors with two letters. The least experienced regular—after Phillips—is wideout Reggie Baul, a junior with one letter.

Tackle Terry Connealy, outside linebacker Donta Jones, middle linebacker Troy Dumas, and cornerback Barron Miles are the only regulars returning from a defense that led the Big Eight in every category after being revamped to an attacking scheme similar to Miami's. But seasoned replacements are available in tackle Christian Peter, outside linebacker Dwayne Harris (considered a better athlete than Outland Trophy recipient Trev Alberts), and inside linebacker Doug Colman. To reel in the slack in the secondary, Mike Minter was moved from strong to free safety and cornerback Kareem Moss to strong safety. Highly regarded Tyrone Williams should start on the other corner.

New but promising kickers, punter Tom Sieler and place-kicker Darin Erstad, will be available when needed.

COLORADO

(8-3-1, 5-1-1) The Buffaloes, who appeared to be the Big Eight's best team the first half of last season, think they need only to become more consistent on offense to topple Nebraska. This is the year coach Bill McCartney has pointed for since junking the option offense in 1992 and building a pass-run attack around quarterback Kordell Stewart. Except for a lack of depth at tailback and linebacker and with new kickers, the Buffs are wall-to-wall in talent. Their backup quarterbacks, redshirt Koy Detmer and Vance Joseph, could start for most teams.

Stewart, who passed for a school-record 2,299 yards last fall, guides an offense that has all-star candidates at every skill position—tailback Rashaan Salaam, the No. 2 returning rusher (844 yards) in the conference last year; tight end Christian Fauria, the No. 1 returning receiver at his position; and flanker Michael Westbrook—plus a line that

returns intact. Bryan Stoltzenberg is probably the Big Eight's best center and guards Heath Irwin and Chad Hammond and tackles Tony Berti and Derek West complete a line that rivals Nebraska's. The only new starters on offense are split end Rae Carruth and Matt Lepsis, as the second tight end.

Seven regulars return from a defense that leaked against nonconference opponents with all-star passing attacks but was strong against the run. The veteran front should be excellent. It features tackles Shannon Clavelle, one of the league's best, and Darius Holland, nose guard Kerry Hicks, and inside linebackers Ted Johnson and Matt Russell. New starters are outside linebackers Greg Jones and Jon Knutson. McCartney sought to tighten and rebuild the secondary by moving all-league free safety Chris Hudson



KORDELL STEWART Colorado

to cornerback opposite first-teamer Dalton Simmons. The two new safeties are Steve Rosga and Donnell Leomiti.

The new kickers are punter Andy Mitchell and Neil Voskeritchian.

OKLAHOMA

(9-3, 5-3) If Garrick McGee, a junior college transfer, proves adequate at quarterback, this should be the best offensive team in Gary Gibbs's six years as head coach. The Sooners have the most talented group of running backs since their best wishbone years, experienced linemen, and competent receivers. Oklahoma did not recruit McGee when he was an unsung schoolboy. He went to Arizona and then to junior college, where he attracted the Oklahoma recruiters. He impressed as a pass-run operative with scram-



bling skills in spring practice. The Sooners do not need for McGee to be a star, only to avoid bad plays and exploit his impressive surrounding cast.

Alternating tailbacks James Allen, an elusive runner, and powerful Jerald Moore combined for 1,064 yards as freshmen last year, when a knee injury to Jeff Frazier opened the door. Frazier, a breakaway threat, returns. So do alternating fullbacks Dwayne Chandler and Terry Collier, who combined for 756 yards. They will run behind a line that has a standout in tackle Harry Stamps and solid starters at every position in tackle J.R. Conrad, guards Milt Overton and Ben Cavit, and center Chuck Langston. Albert Hall, JaJuan Penny, and P.J. Mills are seasoned wideouts. There is promise but no experience at tight end, where Roderick Manuel is the likely starter.

The defense is less settled, but tackle Cedric Jones is Oklahoma's first all-conference-caliber lineman in several years. Cornerback Darrius Johnson and inside linebacker Mario Freeman are among the Big Eight's best at their positions. Tackle David Campbell, outside linebacker Brent DeQuasie, strong safety John Anderson, and cornerback Larry Bush are returning starters. Bush was moved from free safety to make room for Anthony Fogle, who Gibbs thinks has all-star potential and will provide the link for having the best secondary in the conference. Zerrick Rollins, Tyrell Peters, Broderick Simpson, and Tremayne Green (if he recovers from a career-threatening neck injury) round out a solid linebacking corps.

Scott Blanton handles the punting and place-kicking.

BRYAN STOLTENBERG *Colorado*



ABDUL MUHAMMAD
Nebraska

KANSAS STATE

(9-2-1, 4-2-1) Coming off the school's best record in modern times, which included a third-place finish and a 52-17 rout of Wyoming in the Cooper Bowl, the Wildcats return 13 starters and raging confidence. If quarterback Chad May's knee which underwent surgery is fit, the Wildcats and Bill Snyder, the conference Coach of the Year in each of the last three seasons, could win more honors this fall. May, a transfer from Fullerton State, set a school record by throwing for 2,682 yards and led the conference with 16 touchdown passes. He set a Big Eight re-

cord with 489 yards passing against Nebraska. Coaches named him to their all-conference team. He missed spring practice after injuring his knee in the weight room. He had arthroscopic surgery, but Snyder is confident May will be fully recovered when the Wildcats open against a soft nonconference schedule that should allow them to sustain their momentum. If May is not recovered, the starter will be Matt Miller, a transfer from Texas A&M.

The Wildcats also return tailback J.J. Smith, who finished fifth in the Big Eight in rushing with 748 yards, and the confer-

ence's best pair of wideouts in sophomore Kevin Lockett, whose 50 catches for 770 yards were tops nationally among freshmen, and junior Mitch Running (41 for 466). Tight end Brian Rees, a starter in 1992, returns after being sidelined last year with a broken leg. The only regular returning in the offensive line, however, is tackle Jim Hmielewski. Center Jason Johnson and guards Ross Greenwood and Chris Oltmanns, backups last year, are Snyder's major concern.

The defense returns end Dirk Ochs, tackles Darrell Harbert and Tim Colston, linebackers Laird Veatch, Percell Gaskins, and Kirby Hocutt, and cornerback Steve Hanks, who will move to free safety. End Nyle Wirin, cornerbacks Clyde Boulter and Joe Gordon, and strong safety Chuck Marlowe are the new starters. Junior college All-America tackle Ray Eagle could be a factor when he reports in August.

The Wildcats have a steady punter in Chad Romano (38.8-yard average) but no experienced place-kicker.

KANSAS

(5-7, 3-4) After Florida State and injuries eliminated hopes of a second straight bowl season, the Jayhawks regrouped and were respectable in November, when they extended Nebraska (before losing, 21-20) and salvaged fifth place. Coach Glen Mason returns 14 starters and expects to have a competitive attack, which will be built around tailback Charles Henley. The unsuspecting Henley set a Big Eight freshman record last year with a conference-high 1,127 yards (but was runner-up to Nebraska's Calvin Jones for the rushing championship, which is based on yards per game). Another unprojected operative, quarterback Asheiki Preston, became a midseason starter and led the conference in pass-completion percentage (.610).

Henley and Preston will operate behind an experienced line that features the best guards in the Big Eight: John Jones and

TERRY COLLIER Oklahoma

Hessley Hempstead, each of whom made all-conference last fall. Tackle Mark Allison, wide receiver Ashaundai Smith, and fullback Chris Powell also return, along with George White, the 1992 starting tailback who will be used as a flanker in a three-wideout formation. Slated to fill the openings on offense are tight end Brent Willeford, center Jered Smith, tackle Rod Jones (if a knee he injured in the spring game heals), and alternating wideouts Rodney Harris, Andre Carter, and Robert Reed.

What is likely to keep the Jayhawks from advancing to the first division is a defense with an all-new interior. The linebacking corps returns Ronnie Ward, Steve Harvey, and Don Davis and the secondary is solid with 1993 cornerbacks Tony Blevins and Gerald McBurrows moving to the safety spots and Dorian Brew and Avery Randle starting at cornerback. Replacements in the line will be juco tackles Alani Pahulu and Troy Harper, tackle Darnell Britt, who was a reserve last year, and end Sylvester Wright, who started the 1993 opener before being sidelined by an injury.

CHAD MAY Kansas State



Darrin Simmons, a highly regarded juco who redshirted last year, is the new place-kicker and a freshman redshirt, Jeff McCord, is the ranking punter.

MISSOURI

(3-7-1, 2-5) The Tigers, consistent underachievers while enduring 10 consecutive losing seasons, return 12 starters from the team that finished Bob Stull and brought on Larry Smith, the school's fifth coach since the Dan Devine era ended in 1970. Most of the returning regulars retained their positions as Smith, who was fired in 1992 after his sixth season at Southern California,

changes the Tigers from a passing offense to a balanced attack and places more emphasis on defense.

Quarterback Jeff Handy, a two-year starter who passed for 1,901 yards last season but had more interceptions (12) than touchdowns (11), will be handing off more to tailbacks Joe Freeman, a starter last year when he gained 675 yards, and Felix Lindsey, who impressed in spring practice. Wide receiver Brian Sallee, ninth in the conference with 34 receptions, and tackle Trey O'Neil are the only other returning first-teamers on offense. The most promising of the newcomers is center Russ Appel. Scheduled to surround him in the line are guards Rafe Parsons and Matt Dowil, tackle Tim Keith, and tight end Bill Lingerfelt.



TONY BLEVINS Kansas

Seven regulars are back on a defense that once again ranked near the bottom of the national charts. Linebackers Darryl Major and Travis McDonald are credible. The secondary, which returns safeties Jerome Madison and Andre White and cornerback Kevin McIntosh, will welcome the speed of cornerback Clayton Baker. Smith hopes holdover linemen Damon Simon and Steve Martin and three first-time starters—end Detrick Wells, nose guard Matt Murray, and linebacker Chris Singletary—improve a soft interior.

Kyle Pooler is the Big Eight's best all-purpose kicker. He is the No. 1 returning punter (42.4) and No. 4 place-kicker.

IOWA STATE

(3-8, 2-5) The Cyclones have the Big Eight's most experienced team. They return 17 starters and both kickers from a team that upset Kansas State and scared Colorado in November. Coach Jim Walden thinks this is the best talent he has had in his eight years at Ames. Twenty fifth-year seniors have convinced him that the Cyclones "can beat anyone on our schedule on a given day."



Despite all their experience, the Cyclones lack those big-time players who can make the difference between winning and losing. They have the Big Eight's top place-kicker in Ty Stewart. He twice kicked 58-yard field goals, the longest in Division I in '93. Halfback Calvin Branch and quarterback Todd Doxzon lead an attack that also returns fullback Jim Knott, tackle Tim Kohn, split end James Brooks, tight end Dan Dostal, tackle Tony Booth, and guards Jim Thompson and Mark Konopka. The offense was second in the conference in rushing but had no runner in the top 12 and was last in passing.

For a running team, the Cyclones were surprisingly weak defensively against the run (last in the Big Eight and 101st nationally). They were also last in the conference in pass defense and seventh in turnover margin. Linebackers Marc Lillibridge, Marcus Allen, Matt Nitchie, and Jeff Cole are the strength on defense. Others returning on the first unit are tackles Troy Petersen and Sheldon Napastuk, end Anthony Scott, cornerback Weylan Harding, and safeties Kevin Fulton and Cedric Linwood.

OKLAHOMA STATE

(3-8, 0-7) After a 3-1 start in nonconference play and hopes for their first winning season since 1988, the Cowboys failed to win a game in Big Eight play. Their offense, last in the league and 102nd nationally, collapsed after freshman Toné Jones was injured in Nebraska's comeback victory in the league opener. Jones, with impressive pass-run skills, is fit and returns along with soph tailback David Thompson, senior fullback Joe Jefferson, and junior flanker Rafael Denson.

But coach Pat Jones's team remains perilously thin as a result of scholarships lost in a 1989 NCAA probation. The shallowness is most evident in both lines but especially on the offensive side, which lost five players with 18 combined letters and returns only guards Bryan Guillory and Alan Orts. The biggest losses on defense were four-year starter Jason Gildon at end and linebacker Keith Burns, a Butkus Award semifinalist.

KENNY GUNN Tulsa



End Jevon Langford was the runner-up for conference Freshman of the Year honors, but his status for the fall is questionable. Delvin Myles and Cleavon Williams won the cornerback jobs as freshmen, but two new safeties must be found. Incoming frosh and juco transfers will be counted on to start.

One of the Cowboys' few weapons is Lawson Vaughn, the Big Eight's leading returning place-kicker.

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TULSA

(4-6-1) In what could be Tulsa's last season as an independent before becoming a member of the expanded Western Athletic Conference, it faces a less formidable schedule than in recent years. However, coach Dave Rader starts his seventh season without an experienced quarterback (i.e., one who has played in a game) and with a suspect defense.

Troy DeGar, who won the starting quarterback job in spring practice, was suspended for the spring game for unspecified reasons. Rader said he anticipated DeGar would be reinstated. Regardless of who starts at quarterback, Tulsa is likely to run more and pass less than in recent years, because of running backs Kenny Gunn and Solomon White. Center David Millwee anchors a solid offensive line. End Joe Warren stands out in an otherwise lightish defensive line.

gateway conference

predictions

gateway conference

1. Northern Iowa
2. Illinois State
3. Indiana State
4. Southwest Missouri
5. Western Illinois
6. Eastern Illinois
7. Southern Illinois

What kind of year will it be in the Gateway Conference? "Interesting . . . very interesting," said Northern Iowa coach Terry Allen. "It could be the toughest, most competitive race we've had." Allen should know. His teams have consistently been involved in the league race through the years. The Panthers have won the last four Gateway titles in a conference that is recognized among the more competitive and tougher ones in Division I-AA circles. Defense could very well be the point of emphasis again this fall as 68 percent (52 of 77) of the starters return from last year's defensive units.

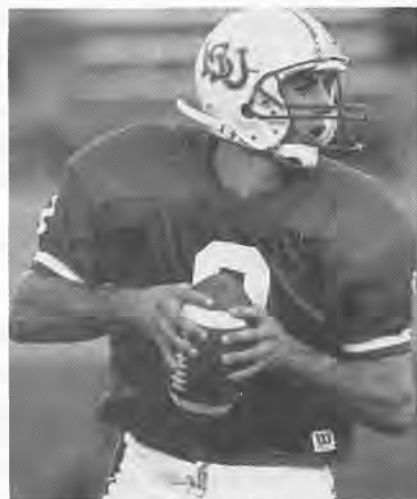
"The Gateway has always been known as a defensive league and it won't be any different this year," added Allen. "We've been known to have wide-open offenses, but defense has been the nuts and bolts for us."

The Panthers are favored to win their fifth straight conference championship and sixth in the league's nine-year history, but they don't have a lock on things. Illinois State, Indiana State, Southwest Missouri State, Western Illinois, and Eastern Illinois all carry legitimate chances at dethroning Northern Iowa. And don't get the idea that the league

doesn't have any offensive threats. The top five rushers from last season are back and not one is a senior.

NORTHERN IOWA

(8-4, 5-1) The Panthers return 14 starters and a league-high 41 lettermen from the No. 13-ranked team nationally a year ago. Linebackers Andre Allen, voted the conference's top defender, and Paul Wolf are the



DANNY BARNETT Illinois State

keys. They combined for 230 tackles, with the All-America Allen posting a team-high nine sacks. They will get plenty of support from Darnell Minnieweather and Kevin Hammond. Other top returnees include nose tackle Brian Moretz and backs Jason McCleary, Todd Harrington, Myron Glass, and Derrick Marbles.

Offensively, the Panthers retain their top three running backs in Jeff Stovall, Sylvester Brown, and Jason Hamrock. Stovall was a second-team all-GC selection as a freshman after finishing third in the league with a 99-yard per-game average and 17 touchdowns. All-conference center Donald Mumma and tight end Matt Harken are back, as is wide receiver Dedric Ward (617 yards and 9 TDs). Terry Allen must find a replacement for quarterback Kurt Warner, the Gateway Offensive Player of the Year. The heir apparent is Brett O'Donnell, but freshman redshirt Jon Miller, sophomore Steve Beard, and Stanford transfer Chris Berg are in contention.

ILLINOIS STATE

(6-4-1, 2-3-1) The Redbirds are full of confidence as fall approaches. They return 20 starters from the team that defeated I-AA national champion Youngstown State in the final game of the regular season. Leading the offense is senior quarterback Danny Barnett. Fifth in the school record book with 3,022 yards after completing 190 of 311 passes for 1,960 yards and 11 touchdowns a year ago, Barnett will operate behind a line that returns intact, led by pro prospect Corey Mackey at tackle. He also has the league's top returning receiver in flanker Kevin Dixon (47 catches for 425 yards). Running back Cameron Smith, who became the school's first freshman to top 1,000 yards (1,016 yards—fourth in the conference), is back for seventh-year coach Jim Heacock.

The defensive line could be the Redbirds' weak link, although rush end Armandos Fisher, a transfer from Tennessee, will help and Damon Turner and James Dowdy will see action. All-conference Chris Stevens returns at middle linebacker, supported by fellow three-year regulars Jon Hutton and Benjie Radford. The secondary features returning starters Jerry Creer, Lonnie Robinson, Bill Randles, and Franky West. The kicking is solid with Todd Kurz, who booted a school-record 18 field goals and earned first-team All-America honors (Kodak) as a freshman.

INDIANA STATE

(4-7, 2-4) Coach Dennis Raetz has reason for optimism in Terre Haute as the Sycamores return 15 starters from a team that won its last two games. The offense is centered around All-America junior tailback David Wright, who has rushed for 2,575 yards and 17 touchdowns the past two seasons. Leading the eight returning receivers is Larry Brown (27 catches for 344 yards). Scott Crenshaw enters his senior year with 56 career receptions for 731 yards. The quarterback was a question mark in the spring. The top candidates are Tom Cerasani, Chad Distler, and Kevin Cox.

Defense has always been a strength of the Sycamores, and that won't change this year. All but one regular returns from the unit that led the Gateway in turnover differential. The line is the key. All-conference tackle Dan Brandenburg had a school-record 13

sacks and was the No. 2 tackler. Richard Moss topped the Sycamores with 113 tackles. The kicking game is in good shape with the return of all-GC punter Jay Gerth and place-kicker Tom Allison.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE

(7-4, 4-2) Coach Jesse Branch plans to implement a reworked offense, replacing the flexbone attack that has been his trademark for eight years with the one-back, pro-style set the Bears used to claim five victories in their last six games. Southwest returns six starters on offense, but gone are quarterback Phil Johnson, leading rusher Anthony Pegues, and leading receiver Chuck Calhoun. Kyle Geller and redshirt freshman Jeremy Hoog will compete to replace Johnson. Matt Hosey is the No. 1 candidate to take over at tailback and Joel Heman is the top returning receiver. All-conference center Luke Hake also is back.

Defensively, inside linebackers DeLaun Fowler, who led the team in tackles (111), and Brian Gillespie return along with free safety Travis Richardson and two other members of the secondary. Sophomore Wayne Boyer, the team's leading scorer, is back to handle all the place-kicking.

WESTERN ILLINOIS

(4-7, 4-2) Coach Randy Ball hopes to rebound from a disappointing season behind nine returning offensive starters, including quarterback Rob St. Sauver and the top

three rushers (Kendall McDonald, Rory Lee, Tim Ardis) and receivers (Gunnard Twyner, McDonald, and Ardis). Tight end Twyner was all-conference with 42 catches for 560 yards. McDonald rushed for 660 yards and St. Sauver passed for 1,764 yards. All-GC guard Richard Huddleston heads up an experienced line.

Defensively, the Leathernecks must replace their top two tacklers and all-GC performers Ken McMillan at linebacker and Rodney Harrison in the secondary. Jason Vasconez, the No. 3 tackler, is the top defender returning. Punter/kicker Russ Schulte also is back.



CHRIS STEVENS Illinois State

EASTERN ILLINOIS

(3-7-1, 2-3-1) All-America hopeful Willie High burst onto the scene at running back last year as a freshman with a league-leading 1,487 yards and 12 touchdowns. The big question on offense is who will replace four-year starter Jeff Thorne at quarterback. Pete Mauch, Mark Doherty, and Northern Illinois transfer Ron Reichert are the top candidates. The offense also will feature center Duane Conway, guard Don Mensik, and receiver Greg Jensik. The Panthers should get plenty of points from all-conference place-kicker Steve Largent, who booted 11 field goals last fall. Two-time all-GC cornerback Ray McElroy leads the defense. Linebacker Tim Carver (138 tackles) and fellow all-league honoree Kevin Zeng add support.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

(2-9, 1-5) Shawn Watson takes over the Salukis' reigns with his work cut out for him. He retains just nine starters. Quarterback, however, won't be a problem. David Pierson passed for 1,317 yards and 11 touchdowns and Matt Jones added 989 yards and six touchdowns. Melvin Dukes is the top running back. He led the Salukis with just 479 yards but caught 22 passes for 258 yards. Running back William Tolen, the team's second-leading scorer, also returns. The leading candidates at receiver are Aaron Baker and Jermaine Gray.



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Defensively, the Salukis lost six of their top eight tacklers from a year ago. Linebacker Brian Tranchitella and free safety Jim Cravens will anchor the unit. Tranchitella was second on the team with 72 tackles and Cravens was a second-team all-GC pick.

pioneer league

predictions

pioneer league

1. Drake 2. Evansville 3. Butler
4. Dayton 5. Valparaiso
6. San Diego

DRAKE

Drake made a successful return to Division I-AA with a 3-2 mark, good for second place in the Pioneer League, and defeated all five of its nonconference opponents. The Bulldogs did it with offense, leading the league in scoring (30.4 points per game), rushing (239.8-yard average), and total offense (444.8-yard average). First-team all-PL quarterback Roy Fletcher returns after passing for 1,083 yards and 11 TDs. He will be re-joined in the backfield by fellow junior Cortez Hull, the leading rusher in each of the past two years. Coach Rob Ash will make a run for the top this fall with defense. Eight starters return to the unit, including all-league linemen Todd Sauer and Craig Ortwerth (8 sacks) and linebacker Matt Garvis (team-high 105 tackles). Sophomore safety Daron Buch anchors the secondary.

EVANSVILLE

Three years ago, coach Robin Cooper came to Evansville with one goal: to play winning football. The Aces answered the call, going 7-2 in 1992 and 6-4 last season. Look for them to continue the momentum this fall with an experienced team. The offense returns junior quarterback Eric Fish and tight end Hanz Hoag. Fish led the Pioneer League in passing (2,562 yards and 17 TDs) and was 11th in I-AA in total offense. Hoag earned I-AA first-team All-America honors, leading the league in receptions (66) and finishing sixth nationally. D.J. DeWees, Mike Wilder, and Sean Stinson combined for 82 catches. The backfield is secure with Chad Albano (614 yards rushing, 25 catches, and 12 TDs). Center Kim Williams and tackle Aaron Mayes are the only starters back on the line. Linebacker Jerry Meade, who made 100 or more tackles four years in a row, must be replaced. Competing for the two inside spots are Jason Hare, Chase Reagan, and Sherman Back. Justin Bogunia, Heath Kirkpatrick, Joey Cook, and Chad McIntyre return on the outside. The secondary returns James Duncan, Josh Badasch, and Adam Bruggenschmidt.

BUTLER

Welcome to Division I-AA football. The Bulldogs, 8-2 and co-champions of the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference in 1992, slipped to 4-6 in '93 but still managed a second-place conference tie. Senior quarterback Jason Stahl has passed for over 3,000 yards and 22 touchdowns the last two years, and he should add to those statistics behind a senior line: guards Keith Rossell and Michael Klett, tackle Damon Black, center Ja-

son O'Rourke, and tight end Travis Dixon. Joe DeJaegher will attempt to replace league rushing leader Richard Johnson (1,535 yards). Wideout Kevin Gribbins averaged 21.0 yards on 14 receptions and scored seven TDs. Coach Ken LaRose is counting on five returnees to provide leadership for an otherwise untested defense: all-conference free safety Cameron McDaniel (4 interceptions), back Larry Winters, ends Elgin Reese (15 career sacks) and Chris Toner, and linebacker Matt Kistler.

DAYTON

After two consecutive winning records, including a last year's league championship, the Flyers look to be rebuilding. Quarterback Tony Ernst proved to be a suitable replacement for Steve Keller, completing 60 percent of his passes for 1,372 yards and six TDs. Barry Esposito led all receivers with 29 catches for 392 yards and was the league leader in punt returns, averaging 10.3 yards. Center Jude France and guard John Mullen anchor the line. Coach Mike Flynn's biggest task will be fielding a competitive defensive unit. Matt Deters returns in the secondary and tackle Doug Kraus, who had five sacks, on the line. One bright spot will be the kicking game. Punter Jason Brower averaged 32.9 yards and Tim Duvic converted 35 of 36 PATs and 9 of 16 field goals.

VALPARAISO

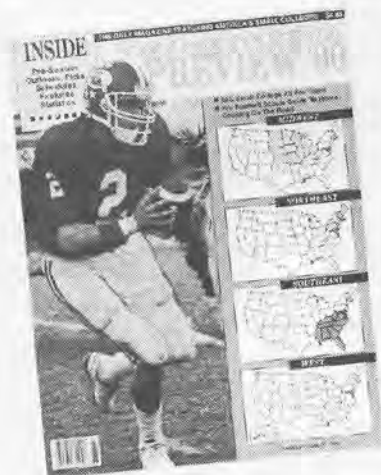
Coach Tom Horne understands that winning football programs aren't built overnight. Valparaiso posted a 5-6 record in '93, their best record since 1985. Sixteen starters return, including free safety Shayne Snider, an honorable mention All-America. He finished second nationally with eight interceptions. Two other big-play defenders and all-conference honorees return in inside linebacker Jeff Seymour and end John Palyok. Seymour was fourth in the league in tackles and Palyok led the Crusaders with four sacks and tied Snider with four fumble recoveries. Quarterback Rob Rayl must be replaced, but Horne can rely on a solid line and backfield. Halfback Ozzie Young (32 catches) and fullback Trevor Bell combined for 980 yards and 11 TDs. All-league tackle John Lyon anchors a line that helped produce 355 yards in total offense per game.

SAN DIEGO

The Toreros played respectable football in their inaugural season in Division I-AA, posting a 6-4 mark (but just 1-4 in the conference). Now coach Brian Fogarty must find replacements for seven offensive and five defensive starters. On a positive note: Senior quarterback Vince Moiso (1,784 passing yards and 16 TDs) returns, as do tight end Scott Steingrebe (team-high 32 receptions), sophomore running back Jermaine Rucker (6.7-yard average), and senior tackle Matt Taylor (6-2, 275).

The defense should be solid because the entire starting line and the majority of the secondary return. Linemen Adam Smith, Eddie Messina, and Josh Wright combined for 11 sacks. The backfield features leading tackler Daniel Furlough, Jesse Hall (3 interceptions), and Shaun Grove. Punter Robert Ray earned all-league honors after averaging 37.9 yards.

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ARIZONA

The Wildcats opened the eyes of the nation—and gave the prestige of Pac-10 football a huge boost—with their 29-0 destruction of Miami in the Fiesta Bowl. This may be the season they get a long-awaited showcase in the Rose Bowl. Dick Tomey's team was 10-2 in 1993, and 6-2 and tied for first in the conference. But it missed a trip to Pasadena because of a loss to co-champion UCLA. Despite the departure of Outland Trophy winner Rob Waldrop and some other key players, the Cats appear to have the personnel to reach the top this fall.

A dominating defense has been Tomey's trademark the last several seasons, and that's where most of the team's stars are, even though Waldrop and players such as end Jimmie Hopkins, linebackers Brant Boyer and Shawn Jarrett, and cornerback Jey Phillips will be missed. Returning are quick end Tedy Bruschi, who led the Pac-10 with 19 sacks; inside linebacker Sean Harris, one of the nation's best; tackle Jim Hoffman, and safeties Tony Bouie and Brandon Sanders. All are honors candidates.

Senior Akil Jackson probably will be at the end opposite Bruschi, who will see more double-teams now that Waldrop is gone, with Hoffman and Chuck Osborne or the promising Joe Salave'a inside. Reserve Thomas Demps will get first call to replace Jarrett at outside linebacker, with junior Charlie Camp, a frequent 1992 starter who redshirted last season after a tailbone injury, likely to take over for leading tackler Boyer inside, opposite the gifted Harris. Senior Claudius Wright, the secondary's best cover man, returns at one cornerback, with seniors Spencer Wray and Mike Scurlock competing for the other. There's no question at the safeties, where Bouie led the squad with six interceptions and Sanders had a team-high five tackles for loss.

The Cats' kicking game looks very capable, too, thanks to senior Steve McLaughlin, who had 66 points and can hit from long range, and sophomore punter Matt Peyton (37-yard average).

In the Fiesta Bowl, Arizona appeared to have turned the corner offensively from a predictably conservative offense to a balanced attack. Sustaining that could be the most crucial element in whether the Cats make it to Pasadena New Year's Day. Versatile back Chuck Levy, wide receivers Troy Dickey and Terry Vaughn, running back Billy Johnson, and tight end Rod Lewis all have moved on, but this still could be the best offensive team in Tomey's tenure. The key is an all-senior line that returns every starter. Mu Tagoai and Joe Smigiel will be the tackles, all-star candidate Warner Smith and Pulu Poumele the guards, and Hicham El-Mashtoub the center. The only question in the line is at tight end, where Lamar Harris, who figured to replace Lewis, missed spring

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practice because of a gunshot wound from a drive-by shooting. Tim Thomas, the No. 3 tight end last season, or transfer Damon Terrell might get the call if Harris isn't healthy.

Junior quarterback Dan White, 9-1 as a starter, needs to make better decisions and improve his 49.8 completion percentage, but he came along quickly at the end of the season. Sophomore Brady Batten has talent, too. They'll work with tough senior tailback Ontiwaun Carter, who has 2,294 career rushing yards, sophomore backup

Gary Taylor, and either junior Jason Patterson or redshirt freshman Charles Myles at fullback. Junior Cary Taylor, hurt in the same incident that injured Harris, and sophomore Richard Dice are the top candidates at wide receiver, but they may be pushed by freshmen Ron Holmes and James Romero and transfer Rudolph James.

SOUTHERN CAL

For a team that was no better than 3-3 after six games, the Trojans didn't do badly in 1993. They were 6-2 in the Pac-10 and shared the conference championship with UCLA, just missing a trip to the Rose Bowl, and finished 8-5 after beating Utah in the Freedom Bowl. The raw talent is there, certainly, to make it to Pasadena this time. Coach John Robinson has just 10 starters back, but he also has 76 players returning overall, and they'll be joined by a 31-member recruiting class that is ranked in the top five in the nation and includes 20 prep and junior college All-Americans. "There's no question our physical talent is on the upswing," Robinson said.

Now he's looking for more physical play, especially in his running game and in defending against the run, to cope with another challenging schedule. This is no longer Tailback University. The Trojans struggled on the ground in '93, getting a 100-yard rushing game just once. Robinson is hoping sophomore tailbacks Shawn Walters (711 yards rushing) and David Dotson or redshirt freshman LaVale Woods are ready to blossom, to complement topflight quarterback Rob Johnson, a prime Heisman Trophy candidate. With Deon Strother gone, the fullback position looks thin—sophomores Kevin Clark and Mark Farlin are the top prospects—and All-America Johnnie Morton has departed the receiving corps. But there's plenty of talent at the wideouts in speedy seniors Ken Grace and Edward Hervey (36 and 22 receptions, respectively), JC All-Americans Keyshawn Johnson and Larry Parker, and redshirt freshman Anthony Volsan.

Up front, the Trojans will be minus tight end Brad Banta, four-year starting center Craig Gibson, guard Joel Crisman, and tackle Jason Keiderling. But Robinson still has whopping (6-8, 305) Tony Boselli, an Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award candidate, and Norberto Garrido at tackle and senior Kris Pollack at guard. Sophomore John Allred and juniors Tyler Cashman and Johnny McWilliams all have experience at tight end and H-back. Vying for the open guard and center spots are juniors Clay Hattabaugh, Jeremy Hogue, and Robert Loya.

Robinson thinks his defense will be improved significantly, even though inside linebacker Jeff Kopp, outside linebacker Brian Williams, end Matt Keneley, and cornerback John Herpin are the only returning starters. Improvement of youngsters in the line, where Lombardi Award semifinalist Willie McGinest departed, is crucial. Either sophomore Willie Lowery or senior Elic Mahone, who redshirted last season because of a shoulder injury, should open opposite sophomore Keneley, with 300-pound junior Stuart Gage a potentially dominant nose

tackle. Kopp, who had 83 tackles, including eight for losses, has been moved from outside to inside linebacker, where he may team with senior Donn Cunnigan. Super quick senior Williams (78 tackles) should work with senior Gerald Caruthers outside.

The situation is less sure in the secondary, because of the departure of cornerback Jason Sehorn and long-time starters Jason Oliver and Mike Salmon. The anchor will be steady senior corner Herpin. Senior Jerald Henry is likely to replace Sehorn, with junior Scott Fields, a converted tailback, or sophomore Sammy Knight at strong safety and experienced backup Micah Phillips or sophomore Quincy Harrison at free safety.

Robinson wants more consistent production out of his kicking game, which again will feature junior punter John Stonehouse (38.3-yard average) and senior place-kicker Cole Ford, who missed seven games with a midseason back injury.

UCLA

The last two months of the 1993 season, everything came up roses for the Bruins. Terry Donahue's team won eight of its final nine games, defeated cross-town rival USC for the third straight year, and earned a spot in the Rose Bowl. There are major losses from a team that finished 8-4 overall and won the



WAYNE COOK UCLA

Pac-10 with a 6-2 record, but this squad should be in contention for a repeat trip to Pasadena because of a big-play offense that is mostly intact.

The key components are All-America split end J.J. Stokes, a leading Heisman Trophy candidate in what looks like a wide-open year for that honor, and emerging quarterback Wayne Cook, who should be one of the conference's best. Stokes, who passed up the NFL draft, already holds every Bruin game and season receiving record going into his senior year. In '93, he caught 82 passes for 1,181 yards and 17 touchdowns. Cook, meanwhile, threw for 2,067 yards and 18 TDs and set a Pac-10 record with just three interceptions in 254 pass attempts. In addition to Stokes, Cook will be throwing to a deep receiving corps that includes third-

team sophomore All-America Kevin Jordan, seniors Mike Nguyen and Bryan Adams, and junior Avery Anderson.

Donahue has some uncertainty at running back, because sophomore Skip Hicks, who led the team in rushing with 563 yards, tore a knee ligament during a spring track meet and might miss the season. That would shift the load to senior Daron Washington, junior James Milliner, and sophomores Sharmon Shah and Derek Ayers. Complicating matters offensively is the loss of four-year regulars Craig Novitsky at guard and Vaughn Parker at tackle. The key man up front will be junior tackle Jonathan Ogden, who should work opposite either senior Paul Kennedy or junior Mike Rohme, with Mike Flanagan back at center and senior James Christensen and junior Matt Soenksen, a six-game starter, at guard. Tight end will be a battle among Jamal Clark, Brian Richards, Troy Aldrich, and redshirt freshman Josh Eby.

Donahue thinks he has a good defensive nucleus even without All-America outside linebacker Jamir Miller and strong safety Marvin Goodwin, both of whom left school a year early to turn pro. Also missing are starting inside linebackers Nkosi Littleton and Carrick O'Quinn, tackle Matt Werner, and free safety Travis Collier. Seniors Sale Isaia and London Woodfin and juniors George Kase, Travis Kirschke, and Grady Stretz will compete for time on the line. Junior Donnie Edwards, third on the team with 63 tackles, is an All-America candidate at outside linebacker, where either Rod Smalley or Andrew McClave, both seniors, will work with him. Inside, seniors Anthony Jones and Brian Tighe seem the likely choices to replace Littleton and O'Quinn, but sophomore Brent Guyton will push for a starting role. In the secondary, senior cornerback Carl Greenwood is an honors candidate, and junior Teddy Lawrence returns at the other corner. The top contenders for the safety spots are sophomores Paul Guidry and Abdul McCullough and junior Ted Nwoke.

The kicking game could be the best in the nation, with Bjorn Merten, only the fourth freshman in history to earn first-team All-America honors from Associated Press, and first-team all-Pac-10 punter Darren Schager. Merten was 21 of 26 in field-goal attempts, while Schager averaged 42 yards per kick.

The Bruins face an imposing early schedule, opening with Tennessee and then traveling to Lincoln to meet Nebraska in week three before beginning Pac-10 play.

WASHINGTON

The legendary coach is gone, but the two-year NCAA probation is still in effect. So Jim Lambright, who replaced the suddenly-departed Don James just two weeks before the Huskies' 1993 season opener, is still working with a significant handicap: trying to make a name for himself while his team has nothing to play for but pride. This won't be a docile Husky—not with the likes of Napoleon Kaufman around—but it's also doubtful that this is a squad that can top the conference without the incentive of a bowl bid. Under the circumstances, 25-year Husky assistant Lambright did very well to craft a 7-4 finish (5-3 and fourth in the Pac-10) in '93. But the

early part of the schedule this fall is brutal: USC, Ohio State, Miami, and UCLA in the first four games.

Lambright can call on 12 returning starters, six on each side of the ball. Kaufman, the senior tailback with Heisman Trophy aspirations, heads the list. He set a school single-season rushing record with 1,299 yards and had 1,851 all-purpose yards, topping Hugh McElhenny's 42-year-old Washington mark. New offensive coordinator Bill Die-drick plans to throw more to him this season and employ him more on punt and kickoff returns. Kaufman will work in the backfield with junior quarterback Damon Huard, who has the job all to himself now that Eric Bjornson has been switched to wide receiver, and junior fullback Richard Thomas.

Bjornson, who caught 14 passes in part-time service in 1992, will be joined at wideout by sophomore Dave Janoski, transfer Greg Quesada, who set a national JC record with 108 receptions for 1,270 yards and 10 TDs, and redshirt freshman Fred Coleman. Then there's senior tight end Mark Bruener, who made three All-America teams after catching 30 passes, and his productive backup, Ernie Conwell. But the line probably will drop off after the loss of starters Jim Neville, Pete Pierson, and Tom Gallagher. Guards Andrew Peterson, honorable mention all-Pac-10, and Frank Garcia do return. Juniors Eric Battle, Patrick Kesi, and Don Willis are the leading candidates to start, but transfers Matt Hicks and Opu Semenivage and converted defensive tackle Trevor Highfield could give them an argument.

Oddly, the losses of Jamal Fountaine, Andy Mason, and Morris Trophy winner D'Marco Farr in the defensive line might not be felt as much, because seven players who started at least one game are back. Seniors Donovan Schmidt and Richie Chambers should be at the outside spots, but there's speculation about who will open inside. If he's healthy, junior Steve Hoffmann, who underwent back surgery after only two games, could be in the middle. Others in contention are Cedric White, Mike Ewaliko, David Richie, who backed Fountaine all season, and redshirt freshman Jason Chorak. Junior Ink Aleaga, who missed half of the season with a broken leg but came back strong, and either John Fiala or Jaime Weindl should be the inside linebackers. The Husky secondary tied for the national lead in interceptions last season (22) and should be very good again, with senior Lamar Lyons (58 tackles) and sophomore Lawyer Milloy at the safeties, senior roverbacks David Killpatrick and Louis Jones, senior cornerback Russell Hairston, and junior corners Reggie Reser and Scott Greenlaw. The backfield is so deep that Killpatrick and Jones worked at linebacker in the spring.

The kicking game is a mystery. Punter John Werdel and place-kicker Travis Hanson, each three-year veterans, are gone, and Lambright didn't recruit any replacements, so walk-ons will bid for the jobs.

CALIFORNIA

Under fire last year at this time, Bears coach Keith Gilbertson is feeling much more secure, and so his team, after a 9-4 season (4-4 and tied for fourth in the Pac-10) that culminated with a 37-3 romp over Iowa in the

Alamo Bowl. A good recruiting class (rated No. 21 in the nation in *SuperPrep*) doesn't hurt, either. But there are major losses, particularly on offense, from a squad that finished in the top 25 in the final rankings.

Just three offensive starters—quarterback Dave Barr, senior tackle Brian Thure, and junior guard Frank Beede—return. Barr, coming off the 10th-best passing season in NCAA history, probably will have to carry much of the load early while running backs Reynard Rutherford (578 yards as a backup to 1,000-yard rusher Lindsey Chapman in '93), Tarik Smith, Tyrone Edwards, and Johnny Tavake and wide receivers Iheanyi Uwaezueke, Na'il Benjamin, and Fred Sims continue to develop. Rutherford and Uwaezueke, who caught 25 passes for 422 yards despite playing in the shadow of the departed Mike Caldwell, both have the ability to make a major impact.

There are huge losses—figuratively and literally—in the line with the departure of Todd Steussie and Eric Mahlum to the NFL. But Thure, a 300-pounder in his third season as a starter, has All-America talent. Beede may move to tackle to team with Thure, with junior Ben Lynch shifting from guard to center and senior Randy Nonhof and junior Jeremy Becker moving in at guard. JC All-America Derek Barton may well be in the mix, too. Sophomores Sean Bullard and Matt Johnson will battle for a starting spot at tight end, with prep All-America Tony Gonzalez also a possible factor. A major part of Cal's kicking game is gone with the graduation of Doug Brien, who made 56 field goals over the last three seasons. It's likely the Bears will return to a dual-threat kicker in sophomore Ryan Longwell, who averaged 40.6 yards per punt in '93.

Because of the youth of the Bear offense, defensive coordinator Augie Gigantino's unit may have to become a dominant force if the team is to be in the Pac-10 title hunt. "I think we're better at every position defensively," Gilbertson said, "and have the potential to become the best defense at Cal in many years." The keys are All-America candidate Jerrold Willard, who has led the Pac-10 in tackles each of the last two seasons; first-team freshman All-America end Regan Upshaw, who had 7½ sacks; and tough cornerbacks Artis Houston and Kevin Devine, both of whom have 4.5 speed. Junior Duane Clemons or sophomore Andy Jacobs should open opposite Upshaw, with seniors Brad Bowers and Greg Webb likely inside. The underrated Paul Joiner will work with Willard at inside linebacker, with talented junior James Stallworth likely to replace Michael Davis outside. Savvy senior Ricky Spears will be at strong safety, with junior Jerod Cherry and senior Darrell Miles vying at free safety. Another candidate is senior Matt Clizbe, who was second-team all-Pac-10 after averaging 9.2 yards on punt returns.

The nonconference schedule (San Diego State, Hawaii, and San Jose State) isn't too taxing and figures to provide an opportunity for some of the kids—particularly on offense—to pick up experience. If they develop, the Bears should be a bowl team for the fourth time in the last five seasons.

"I'm optimistic," Gilbertson said, "because we built good, solid depth last season by using a lot of players and a lot of different

formations on both sides of the ball. I believe we have a nice balance."

ARIZONA STATE

Questions abound in Tempe. Bruce Snyder's Sun Devils opened just 2-4 in 1993, but for the second year in a row, they were the Pac-10's hottest team in the second half of the season and finished 6-5 overall (4-4 in the conference), just missing a bowl invitation. They probably will be lucky to be that good this fall, considering some major player losses, a tough schedule, and what could be a severe lack of depth.

The first-team defense looks fairly solid, with seven starters back from a unit that posted two shutouts and held opponents without a touchdown for 10 straight quarters late in the season. But gone are All-America end Shante Carver, who accounted for a third of the Sun Devils' quarterback sacks in



ROB JOHNSON Southern Cal

'93, tackle Larry Boyd, and backs Lenny McGill and Mark Brown. The defensive leader will be senior Craig Newsome, whom Snyder calls "one of the finest cornerbacks I've ever seen at this level." Newsome, a Jim Thorpe Award candidate, had 57 tackles, 12 pass deflections, and four interceptions. End Ken Talanoa and Bryan Proby return in the line, with redshirt freshman Shawn Swayda and senior Eric Schmidt or sophomore Brent Burnstein likely to join them.

Inside linebacker should be the deepest position, if senior Justin Dragoo can come back from a knee injury that forced him to miss 10 games. Senior Jason Kyle is the top returning tackler, and both Dan Lucas and Sam Santana have starting experience, as does senior Brian Easter, but he was suspended indefinitely by Snyder in the spring. Outside should be two other familiar faces: roverback Harlen Rashada and "gunner" Kendall Rhyne. Junior Marcus Soward or transfer Anthoni Davis is likely to open at corner opposite Newsome, with senior Eddie Cade (57 tackles) at free safety.

The situation looks a good deal less secure on offense, where Mario Bates, ASU's first 1,000-yard rusher since 1986, departed for the NFL and center Toby Mills and guards Farrington "Taco" Togiai and Chuck Underwood are gone, too. Much depends on the continued improvement of quarter-

back Jake Plummer, who had a fine freshman season, passing for 1,243 yards and leading the team to a 4-2 record in six late-season starts. The receiving corps, led by seniors Johnny Thomas and Clyde McCoy, sophomore Jason McCorvey, and junior Carlos Artis, has potential but lacks experience. Tight end is well-stocked with returning co-starters Steve Bush and Matt Nelson.

The Sun Devil attack will need production from junior Chris Hopkins, who is expected to replace Bates, and returnees Parnell Charles, Ryan Wood, and Michael Martin. The left side of the line is capable, with huge Jeff Kysar, an honors candidate, and Juan Roque at tackle and guard. Either letterman Troy Martz or Kyle Murphy will bid to replace four-year regular Mills at center, with eight-game starter DeMario Vaughn at the other tackle and senior Joe Cajic at guard.

Junior Noel Prefontaine and redshirt freshman Marcus Williams may challenge punter Lance Anderson, who averaged 39.3 yards last fall, but senior Jon Baker looks secure as the place-kicker.

The Sun Devils recruited well, but they have six 1993 bowl teams on the schedule, a heady assignment for a team that doesn't appear to have adequate numbers at several positions. "I wish we had better all-around depth," Snyder said, "but that can only be improved with time."



NAPOLÉON KAUFMAN Washington

STANFORD

It was an atypical season for Bill Walsh down on The Farm. The Cardinal finished just 4-7 (2-6 in the Pac-10), a result that Walsh called "disappointing and frustrating." He believes his team is ready to rebound, but it's still a very young squad with some noticeably pressing problems. For one thing, Walsh, who was left physically and emotionally drained by the 1993 season, has to find some semblance of a running game to take the pressure off talented but often beleaguered quarterback Steve Stenstrom. Even more important, he has to hope for dramatic improvement in a defense that simply wasn't very good.

The passing offense should rate with the best in the country. Stenstrom, a fifth-year senior who completed 300 passes for 3,627 yards, has his favorite targets back in 6-6 senior wide receiver Justin Armour, an All-America candidate who caught 51 passes for 764 yards and six touchdowns, and se-

nior tight end Tony Cline (42 for 465). Also back are David Shaw, Mark Harris, Andre Kirwan, and speedy Brian Manning.

But this will again be a one-pronged attack despite the return of nine offensive regulars, unless some runners step forward. Tailback Ethan Allen, who caught 52 passes but rushed for just 260 yards, and fullback Greg Comella are the probable starters, but the Cardinal needs much more out of sophomore Mike Mitchell, who had a disappointing season. Walsh is also hoping Stenstrom can run more effectively when the situation calls for him to scramble. Four starters return in a line that could be among the best in the conference if the tackles block more consistently. Senior Seth Dittman is back at one tackle, with senior Mike Jerich and junior Jeff Buckley at guard and senior T.J. Gaynor at center. The leading candidates to replace three-year starter Steve Hoyem at the other tackle are junior Ken Loncar and senior Ryan Waters.

Walsh had to replace seven defensive starters last fall, and it showed, as opponents stampeded for 465 yards per game and averaged 35.4 points. Undersized inside linebacker Coy Gibbs (6-0, 220), who has 186 career tackles, and senior nose tackle Jason Fisk should be the leaders. But what the team really needs is more physical play out of its safeties, Kevin Garnett and David Walker, who may be pushed for playing time by youngsters in a small but talented recruiting class. Elsewhere on defense, senior David Carder and junior Pete Swanson should flank Fisk up front, with promising sophomore Justin Strand teaming with Gibbs at inside linebacker, sophomore Brian Batson and junior Jason White at outside linebacker, and junior Kwame Ellis and sophomore Eliel Swinton likely at cornerback. Swinton, who was named the team's Most Valuable Freshman, started at least one game at all four backfield positions.

There is some uncertainty in the kicking game, because punter Aaron Mills, who averaged a league-leading 42.2 yards, tore a knee ligament playing basketball and missed spring drills. If he can't go, freshman Kevin Miller may take over. The place-kicker will be junior Eric Abrams, who has kicked 27 career field goals in 38 attempts.

WASHINGTON STATE

Cougar coach Mike Price thinks his team can be a bowl contender, but for that to happen, a lot of things have to go right. The team's defense, eighth-best in the nation last year and No. 2 against the run, has to hold up against a tougher schedule, a young offense has to jell quickly, new kickers have to produce, and injuries have to be avoided. So it's difficult to forecast improvement for a squad that was 5-6 overall and 3-5 (sixth-place) in the Pac-10. In their first four games this fall, the Cougars must play Illinois, Fresno State, UCLA, and Tennessee, a challenging test for a team that has just three starters back on offense.

The defense will have to do most of the work early. There are good players nearly everywhere on that unit, including first-team all-conference selections DeWayne Patterson at end, Chad Eaton at tackle, and Ron Childs (79 tackles) at linebacker. All are seniors. Returning with them are all four back-

field starters: corners Torey Hunter and Greg Burns (who is recovering from knee surgery) and safeties Singor Mobley and John Rushing. The other regulars should be linebackers Mark Fields, a junior whom some rate as even a better athlete than departed star Anthony McClanahan, and Chris Hayes and linemen Don Sasa and Todd Shaw, who missed spring practice because of a shoulder injury, junior Robert Booth, or transfer Dwayne Sanders. If Burns isn't healthy, sophomore Ray Jackson should start in his place, and promising soph James Darling could see service at linebacker.

"I think we could be as good or little better than we were a year ago on defense," Price said, "but our nonconference opponents might not let our statistics be better."

Much will depend on how well junior quarterback Chad Davis, a transfer from Oklahoma, does in taking over an offense that will be minus the likes of tight end Brett Carolan, wide receivers Deron Pointer, Keith Reynolds, and Shane DeLaCruz, and linemen Mike Bailey, Josh Dunning, and Steve Wolfe. Davis, an accurate passer, did very well in the spring to move ahead of Chad DeGrenier and Derek Chapman, but he'll be working mostly with untested running backs and receivers. Kevin Hicks (497 yards rushing, 22 receptions) and Derek Sparks both were held out in the spring: Hicks to work on his grades, Sparks to rehabilitate an injured shoulder. Sophomore Will Haskell (222 yards rushing) and junior Frank Madu could share the work with them. Price is hoping senior Albert Kennedy, returnees Jay Dumas and Chad Carpenter, and newcomers Bryant Thomas and Evan Ford can blossom at wide receiver, and that junior Eric Moore can replace workhorse Carolan. The line will be led by a pair of honors candidates, senior Paul Reed at guard and junior Marc McCloskey at center, with senior Clay Reis and sophomore Scott Sanderson, coming off a shoulder injury, at tackle and senior Ron Lewis or freshman Jason McEndoo at the other guard.

The kicking game could be an area of concern, with place-kicker Aaron Price and punter Steve Johnston both gone. Tony Truant and Tim Roth are vying to replace Price, with junior George Martin the likely punter.

OREGON STATE

Jerry Pettibone finally may have things turned around in Corvallis. The Beavers were a tough team toward the end of last season, playing Rose Bowl-bound UCLA plus Stanford and Washington close in losses and beating Oregon, en route to a respectable 4-7 finish (2-6 and tied for seventh in the Pac-10), a far cry from the 1-9-1 and 1-10 seasons that preceded it. Pettibone's wishbone, previously the subject of scorn, worked well enough that he could say, "I think it's beginning to prove itself."

The Beavers still didn't pass well out of their option attack, completing just 30 of 83 for 311 yards and three touchdowns, but Pettibone said that that was primarily because of injuries at quarterback. And the running game was frequently a smash, as the Beavers finished second in the nation in rushing with 296 yards per game. Halfback J.J. Young turned into perhaps the Pac-10's top rusher, with 955 net yards and 1,216 all-

purpose yards as a junior. Cameron Reynolds should replace the departed Chad Paulson as the other halfback, with a trio of returnees—John Young (350 yards rushing), Sedrick Thomas, and J.D. Stewart—at fullback. In the spring, sophomore Don Shanklin moved ahead of sophomore Rahim Muhammad at quarterback, even though Muhammad started in the second half of the season, running the offense smartly in five games and rushing for 400 yards. On the infrequent occasions Pettibone calls a pass, leading receiver Chris Cross will be there, along with Sylvester Green.

The line has three returning senior starters in tackle John Garrett and center Johnny Feinga, both of whom were honorable-mention all-Pac-10, and guard Starling Latu. Junior Tim Camp may open as the other tackle, with sophomore Brad Thompson at guard and junior Brad Barcroft or redshirt Justin Moore at tight end. "Garrett and Feinga should be real forces," Pettibone said, and Thompson could be an outstanding guard. "But depth could be a problem, as it is so often with the Beavers."

Without doubt, the strength of the defense is the secondary, which some think could be the best in the conference. The leader is senior cornerback William Ephraim, who'll be joined by returning starters Michael Hale and Reggie Tongue at the safeties and sophomore Buster Elahee, a first-team freshman All-America who started six games, at the other corner. Ephraim had 82 tackles and broke up 10 passes. There's not nearly so much experience in the line, where junior tackle Tom Holmes is the key man, with support from junior David Kiepke and senior Packy Ena. And Pettibone is concerned about his strength at outside linebacker, where 1992 starters Eric Hale and Cory Huot, both seniors, head the depth chart. The situation is more stable at inside linebacker, where junior Kane Rogers and '92 starter Rico Petrini look set.

The kicking game appears to be wide open, with punter Tim Kollas and place-kicker Brooke Knight gone. Randy Lund and Doug Stuckey are competing for Knight's job; Stuckey, Mike Smith, and Tony Lauria are bidding to replace Kollas. Freshman Bret Hopkins is contending for both jobs.

OREGON

The Ducks not only have to rebuild physically, they have a reclamation job to do on their psyche, too, following a shattering finish that included losses to Arizona and Pac-10 also-rans Stanford and Oregon State. Instead of moving into a hoped-for bowl game, the Ducks wound up finishing 5-6 overall and just 2-6 and tied for last in the conference. "We didn't achieve what we were capable of," said coach Rich Brooks, acknowledging the obvious.

And it looks as if the Ducks may have trouble getting out of the the Pac-10 cellar this season, with 13 regulars gone, including seven of the best players at their positions in school history. Among the departed are No. 2 all-time rusher Sean Burwell, career sack leader Ernest Jones, and dominant defensive lineman Romeo Bandison. The Ducks also face a demanding schedule that includes five bowl teams and Division II play-off qualifier Portland State.

Offensive inexperience could hurt early. The only starters Brooks can call on are senior quarterback Danny O'Neil, who has more or less gotten lost among the Pac-10 talent at that position, despite the fact that he's a terrific player who threw for 3,224 yards in 1993; talented junior flanker Cristin McLemore, who had 50 receptions for 791 yards; and senior tackle Steve Hardin, an honors candidate and the line's mainstay. The receiving corps could be good, with junior Kory Murphy, back from a knee injury, and Dameron Ricketts, Jamaal Wallace, and Jawanza Hadley joining McLemore, and sophomore Josh Wilcox at tight end. But the running-back corps needs a lot of improvement after an injury-plagued season. Speedy senior Dino Philyaw or junior Ricky



DANNY O'NEIL Oregon

Whittle, the leading returning rusher (just 284 yards), will be at tailback, with sophomore Pulou Malepeai or senior Dwayne Jones at fullback. Hard-working sophomore Paul Wiggins or redshirt freshman David Weber is likely to open along with Hardin at tackle, with injury-plagued but versatile senior Heath Howington and big sophomore Willy Rife, Eric Reid, or Bob Baldwin at guard and sophomore Mark Gregg or junior Tim DeGroote at center.

The Duck defense needs improvement, but is a little more settled going in, particularly in the secondary, where all the starters return: juniors Alex Molden and Isaac Walker at the corners and seniors Chad Cota and Dante Lewis at the safeties. And touted corner Herman O'Berry, who went out in the first game last season with an ankle injury, joins them. Elsewhere on defense, senior Silila Malepeai returns at nose tackle and junior Jeremy Asher at inside linebacker. But there is concern up front, where, apart from Malepeai, there are only seven 1993 starters among the returnees. Junior Troy Bailey and seniors D.J. Cabrera and Mark Slymen probably will get first call. Inexperience abounds at linebacker, too, where three starters are gone. Rich Ruhl probably will team inside with Asher, and Reggie Jordan may start outside.

The kicking and return games are unknown quantities. Return men Burwell and Brian Brown have departed, as has long-time all-purpose kicker Tommy Thompson. Walk-on junior Eric Johannsen is a candidate at place-kicker.

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10. Arkansas State

For the second straight season, the Big West is making more news off the field than on it. A year ago, it was a multi-pronged expansion that brought a football coalition of Northern Illinois, Louisiana Tech, Southwestern Louisiana, and Arkansas State into the league. This year, it's constriction—and plenty of uncertainty. The Big West will be losing two of its members (San Jose State and UNLV) to the suddenly-mammoth Western Athletic Conference in 1996, and two more (Utah State and New Mexico State) wanted into the WAC but were bypassed.

So this will be a lame-duck season that has Big West commissioner Dennis Farrell pondering the possibilities. "We're looking at it from a really positive standpoint," Farrell said. "Sometimes you have to take a step backward to go five steps forward. The current fad obviously is to go to mega-conferences." At press time, Farrell was weighing the options of remaining what he thinks is a "still very viable" eight-team conference, finding schools to replace San Jose State and UNLV and expanding beyond 10 teams. The most likely additions or replacements could be Idaho and Boise State of the Big Sky and North Texas State, all of which were considered when the Big West expanded in 1993.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

The Ragin' Cajuns were the nation's most improved team in 1993, and Nelson Stokley was named Big West Coach of the Year after an 8-3 season that included a 5-1 mark and a tie for first in the conference. All that after the league's coaches and the media had picked Stokley's squad to finish ninth in its initial Big West season.

Nobody will pick them ninth again. And if Stokley can find some defensive linemen and wide receivers, the Ragin' Cajuns should be right back at the top. The defense dominated the Big West last fall, and Stokley thinks he has the best defensive player in the country in senior safety Orlanda Thomas, the Big West Co-Defensive Player of the Year. Thomas had 96 tackles and nine interceptions. He'll be rejoined in the secondary by Fernando Thomas and Lerodric Gilmore and speedster Tim Sensley. Also back is senior middle linebacker Patrice Alexander, who heads a corps that is minus top tackler Charles Pool but has strength in transfer Marlon Goff and returnees Kasey Kramer, Casey Brabham, and Pat Brennan. Depth in the line is a major concern, but starting tackle Clifton Sylvester returns. He'll probably be teamed with sophomore Paul Cabbie and senior Joe Bailey.

The Ragin' Cajuns made major strides offensively in '93, and that should continue, thanks to sophomore quarterback Jake Delhomme, who threw for 1,842 yards and 14 touchdowns, and to running backs Steve Mocek, Marcus Prier, and Kenyon Cotton. But wide receiver Marcus Carter (53 catches) and tight ends Buck Moncla and Ryan McGrath will be missed. The lone letterman available at the receiving spots are without Ron Thomas and tight end Garrick Mayweather. All-Big West tackle Harry Lemming has departed, but the offensive front is big and talented with the likes of tackles Keno Hills and Ronald Gunner and guard Brian Sansalone. Junior Mike Shafer returns as the place-kicker, with Jeremy Deach likely to replace standout punter Jody Watkins.

UTAH STATE

The Aggies had a big season in 1993, tying for the Big West championship and then beating Ball State in Las Vegas Bowl II. But the 5-1 conference finish (7-5 overall) may be tough to match because nine offensive starters are gone, including quarterback Anthony Calvillo, who set a school record with 3,260 yards in total offense, leading receiver Mike Lee, tight end Aubrey Thompson, and key interior linemen Warren Bowers, Rich Tylski, and Jed DeVries. Missing from the defense will be two-time all-Big West linebacker Jermaine Younger.

Coach Charlie Weatherbie likely will construct his offense around running back Pro-fail Grier, who missed spring practice because of a suspension. Grier rushed for 947 yards (third-best in the Big West) and 10 touchdowns in '93. Also back are junior James Dye, who rushed for 447 yards and averaged 117.2 all-purpose yards per game, and guard Darrin Mitchell, a second-team Freshman All-America. Sophomore Matt Wells was No. 1 on the depth chart at quarterback in the spring, but transfer Jorge Ortiz, who completed 468 passes in two junior college seasons, may well be the man this fall. Figuring to step in at wide receiver are Kevin Alexander and Shawn Turner. Two other newcomers, freshman running back Melvin Blue and transfer lineman Jared Tuione, could play key roles.

Defensively, the Aggies return sophomore Pratt Lyons, second-team all-Big West, and senior Dave Balls in the line, senior Gary Brown at inside linebacker, and seniors Tyrone Trimble and Travis Schow at the safeties. Transfers LaRon Bond and Spencer Waggoner figure to help in the secondary, and Todd Wright and Curtis Radford, a Deaf All-America at the Idaho School for Deaf and Blind, will add depth in the line. Place-kicker Nathan Morreale, who set a school single-season record with 19 field goals and was a second-team Freshman All-America, returns, as does sophomore punter Micah Knorr (38.6-yard average).

NEVADA

Chris Ault is back, which has to be good news for the Wolf Pack, because he's the winningest coach (145-58-1 in 17 seasons) in school history. Ault replaces Jeff Horton, who moved to UNLV after guiding the Wolf Pack to a 7-4 overall record and a 4-2 mark and third place in the conference, somewhat disappointing numbers for a squad that had

won two titles in the Big Sky and one in the Big West the previous three seasons.

Nevada was No. 1 in the nation in total offense, with 569 yards per game, and averaged 38.1 points. But that will be tough to duplicate, since eight offensive starters, including national passing leader Chris Vargas and No. 2 national receiver Bryan Reeves, are gone. Ault will aim for a balanced attack with junior quarterback Mike Maxwell, senior running back Marcellus Crishon (809 yards rushing), senior wide receiver Mike Senior (58 receptions for 962 yards), transfer receivers Cornel West, Alex Van Dyke, and Steve McHenry, and senior tight end Jude Mayne. Senior guard Mark Welker is the only returning line starter, but Deron Thorpe, Mike Breau, and Jeff Hadwick are ready to fill in, along with redshirt Bob Cooper and transfer Mike Rockwood, who is certainly big enough at 7-0 and 310 pounds. Talented senior Armando Avina again will fill both kicking roles.

Defensively, Ault can call on eight returning starters, led by senior end Marty Washington and senior inside linebacker Andy Buh (95 tackles). Returning starters David Miller and Jeff Kondra and letterman Frank Marvitz will get a look up front, with redshirt freshman Aaron Lozano, Julian Yearwood, and Mike Crawford at inside linebacker and senior Ryan Milliken and redshirt freshman Deshone Myles at outside linebacker. The secondary could be a strong point, since Clayton Lopez, Tim Rucks, Garnett Overby, Dominic Bouchellon, Bernie Chapman, and Darnell Hasson all started last fall.

NEW MEXICO STATE

Coach Jim Hess is refreshingly realistic. "Our first two years, our program was bad," he said. "The last two, we've brought it to average: 11-11. The next step is to take it to good." After some productive recruiting, Hess thinks he has the material to do that, and turn a team that was 5-6 overall but 4-2 and tied for third in the Big West (its best conference finish ever) into a consistent winner.

The Aggies' offense should be a strength, beginning with junior quarterback Cody Ledbetter, who had offseason knee surgery. He has all of his top receivers back—Lucious Davis (36 catches for 766 yards) and David Osborne (27 for 451), Kenny Canady, and Roderic Payne—plus versatile halfback Brian Pizila (334 yards rushing, 33 pass receptions) and two starters in the line, junior guard Heath Haedge and senior center Gerald Slovec. The Aggies didn't do well protecting the passer in '93, and Hess hopes a pair of 300-pound transfers, Brian Blair and Tim Holland, will help remedy that. The running game will get a big boost if Lawrence Truehill, the team leader in 1992 but ineligible last fall, is back, as expected.

The defense has more questions. The Aggie line lost all three regulars, but Hess has some outstanding newcomers, including Bernie Johnson, Nesinali Tuipulotu, and Dwayne Wallowater, and he may be able to go to a 4-3 front. Tim Mauck and Mike Wall are major losses at linebacker, but senior Tony Gray is back inside and Bryan Duplessis and Beau LeBreton outside. The lone returning starter in the secondary is junior safety Cedric Walton. The kicking game is solid with punter Chad Zeche (39.5) and place-

kicker Bubba Culin, the team's leading scorer (55 points), both back.

PACIFIC

Coming off a 3-8 season and a tie for sixth in the Big West at 2-4, coach Chuck Shelton sounds surprisingly optimistic. "We should be a top-division team," he said. "I know we're better, bigger, and stronger than we have been. This will be the best defense I've had in my three years here."

The Tigers' defense starts with an excellent secondary that includes a trio of three-year starters: cornerbacks Darius Cunnigan (72 tackles, 3 interceptions) and Duane Thomas and safety Jeff Russell. They'll be joined by fellow senior Nathan Young, who has been a spot starter. The line returns senior tackles Brad Stammer and Charles Miller, who could be outstanding, and sophomore nose tackle Jason Evans. The key is how well new inside linebackers like Martin Konrad and Vince Bruno develop, and whether senior Eric Stavola can stay healthy to support senior Jami Anderson outside.

Senior quarterback Craig Whelihan, who engineered two season-ending victories and passed for 1,395 yards, will lead the offense, with rushing support from tailbacks Stanley Green (445 yards) and transfer Joe Abdullah, who backed Marshall Faulk at San



ORLANDA THOMAS *Southwestern Louisiana*

Diego State, and fullback Michael Edwards. Whelihan's targets are sophomore wide receivers Greg Weston (29 receptions), Damon Bowers, and Jay Mayo and tight end Mike Morales. The line returns center Aaron McClellan, one of the Big West's best at his position, guards Dan Weldon and Justin Werth, and Matt McGinn, with senior Branon Kane likely at the other tackle. Sophomore Jon Brock is the top candidate at place-kicker and redshirt freshman Roger Fleenor may be the punter.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

The Huskies were only 4-7 overall and 3-3 in their first season in the Big West—and that with tailback LeShon Johnson, whose 1,976 yards rushing were the fourth-most in major-college history and accounted for more than 85 percent of his team's offense. What happens now that he's gone? "I wish we still had him," coach Charlie Sadler said, "but our program goes on. We'll be better at every position but tailback, and we'll still be good there." But Johnson's backup, senior Brian

Grimes, rushed for only 94 yards, and sophomore Charles Talley is unproven. So is 6-5 transfer quarterback Aaron Gilbert, who Sadler thinks has great tools. Gilbert will be working with veteran receivers Vaurice Patterson (29 catches for 561 yards), Sean Allgood, and Otha Brooks, although Raymond Roberts will be difficult to replace at tight end. The Huskies have three 300-pounders in the line in tackles Timmie Lewis and Derek Sholdice and guard Kent Booth. The other starters should be guard Mike Sutherland and center Chris O'Neal.

Seven regulars are back from a defense that yielded 441.6 yards and 30.4 points per game. The premier player is senior inside linebacker Gerald Nickelberry, an All-America candidate who has 310 career tackles. Other top names are outside linebacker C.J. Rose, linemen Hollis Thomas (57 tackles), Greg Bryant, and Steve Rhoads; inside linebackers Mandel Hester, Shawn Wehrspann, and Paul Wise; and backs Eddie Davis, MacArthur Griffin, Chad Smith, and Sam Denson. Talented place-kicker Brian Steger is gone, with JC transfer Clay Rush slated to replace him. Two-year regular Jamie Dobay returns as the punter (37.9).

NEVADA LAS VEGAS

Jeff Horton loves to throw the football, but in his first season as the Rebels' head coach after a move from Nevada, he may be throwing more out of necessity than love. Horton lost plenty off a team that was just 3-8 overall and 2-4 and tied for sixth in the Big West. He'll have to uncover a new starting quarterback, replace two four-year starters in his offensive line, and find a fill-in for star receiver Demond Thompkins, who was felled by grade problems.

Junior Jason Davis, who had a good spring, should be the new quarterback, with honors candidates Henry Bailey and Randy Gatewood leading a solid receiving corps. But there's a big question at running back, where junior Omar Love is coming off back surgery. JC transfer Tony Burton could provide a boost. Three line starters, seniors Howard McGowan and Mark Meham and junior Robbie Morrison, return. They'll probably be joined by Mike Collins and sophomore Dennis Whitmore, with junior Randy Brewer likely at tight end.

Horton is worried about depth on a unit that ranked near the bottom nationally in total defense, scoring defense, and turnover margin. The line looks thin behind senior Keith Washington, honors candidate DeShannon Campbell, and redshirt freshman Charles Fisher. Junior linebacker Rossie Johnson showed a lot of promise in the spring, and there is more speed in two-year starter Marvin Robinson, Brittney Posey, Keith Clough, and Reese Thomas. The secondary is among the conference's best, with returning regulars Marvin Robinson, Jason Davis, and Rodney Mazion joined by redshirt sophomore Jermaine Webster. The kicking game is a plus, with punter Brad Faunce, a third-team All-America, and place-kicker Nick Garritano.

SAN JOSE STATE

It wasn't the sort of return veteran coach John Ralston had hoped for when he went back to the college ranks last season. His

Spartans sank to a 2-9 overall record and 2-4 and a tie for sixth in the Big West. The defense, particularly, was weak, giving up an average of 410 yards and 31 points per game. Ralston thinks that unit will be better, but now there are offensive holes to fill, starting in the backfield, where quarterback Jeff Garcia, tailback Nathan DuPree, and fullback John Mountain are gone.

Garcia's understudies, Alli Abrew and Brent Evans, are contesting transfer Carl Dean and redshirt Dan O'Dell, with senior Donald Lindsey (290 yards rushing) and Shon Ellerbe as the likely tailbacks and Charlie Adams, Tim Holliday, or Anthony Lewis at fullback. Returnees Brian Lundy and Jerry Reese and backup Jacobbi Williams should form a strong receiving corps, but there are questions in the line, where the only holdovers are junior Chris Hill and senior Carlos Rivera. Salofi Tautuaa should open at one tackle, with redshirts Curtice Macfarlane, Albert Ocon, and Cory Jones and transfer John Grotogood bidding for the other interior spots, and maybe junior Brian Roche at tight end. Place-kicker Joe Nedney may replace Lee Myhre as the punter.

Defensively, the Spartans have all-Big West first-teamer Dan Godfrey (103 tackles) and Theron Miller at outside linebacker and sophomore Eric Quarles at end. Transfer David Elzey or returnee Keala Keanaaina should be at linebacker, with Howard Butler and Tony Gratton at tackle and maybe Greg Phillips at the other end. Transfer Johnny Harper is a major plus for a secondary that returns corners Dee Grayer and Maurice Simpson and safeties Chris Willis and Marcus Galbreath.

LOUISIANA TECH

If the Bulldogs are to make some progress after a 2-9 season that included just a 2-4 mark in the Big West, they'll need major improvement in both lines, according to coach Joe Raymond Peace, who says, "We have to control the line of scrimmage." Big transfer tackle Grant Williams should help the offensive front, which returns center Brad Bull, guards Chris Block and Wes Brewer, and tackle John Rogers, but tight end is unsettled. Steady senior Jason Cooper, who rushed for 590 yards, and sophomore quarterback Jason Martin, who passed for 1,218, return, along with top receiver Chad Mackey (50 catches for 564 yards). But there isn't much depth behind the workhorse Cooper or at wide receiver, where Brian Francis and Cliff Parks are gone.

Peace likes his linebacking corps and secondary. Senior Fred Price and juniors Lance Reed (129 tackles) and Shannon Jenkins, who has run a 4.47 40, could be the conference's best linebacking unit, and there is also plenty of experience in the backfield in senior corners Chris Gray and Rodney Bruce and rover Mark Traylor. Carlos Bolton and Kevin Crawford have departed the line, where Peace acknowledges he has problems. But he likes the potential of converted linebacker Keith Washington at end and speedy transfer Taurick Boyd, who may play with returning starters Steve Roberts and Thedrick Harris. The kicking game is in flux, too. First-team all-conference place-kicker Chris Boniol will be difficult to replace, but sophomore Shane Barbaro had

a good spring. The punter likely will be JC All-America Jason Cain.

ARKANSAS STATE

The Indians finished just 2-8-1, but they closed the season with a last-second victory over defending Big West champion Nevada, a nice springboard into 1994. Some proven running backs and defensive linemen probably would help John Bobo's team more, however. All-conference Marquis Williams, a 1,000-yard rusher, is transferring and speedster Corey Walker, who figures to replace him, is recovering from knee surgery. There's even more doubt in the defensive front, where recruiting didn't produce the desired results. All-Big West first-teamer Ed Rufus returns at middle guard, as does productive lineman Carlos Emmons, but the Tribe appears to have little to go with them.

If the Indians are to escape the Big West cellar (they were last with a 1-5 mark in 1993), they must improve their passing game. Quarterback John Covington improved as a sophomore, but he threw for just 1,069 yards. He'll be helped by veteran receivers Derrick Austin (22 catches for 309 yards) and Reginald Murphy (21 receptions) and by tight end Clark McBride. The line looks solid with seniors Lorenzo Parker and Stacy Harrell and juniors Jessie Miller and Anthony Bowman.

Marcus Lawson will be tough to replace at linebacker, but Bobo is hoping Eric Linsy, Torrance Suggs, and Dale Carpenter can fill the void. Three starters—seniors Brad Davis and Stacy Crockett and junior Clark Watkins—return in what should be a good secondary. And there's no problem in the kicking game, with second-team all-Big West Jeff Caldwell, who connected on 14 of 17 field goals, and workhorse punter Kyle Richardson both back.

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UC DAVIS

Can a Division II team, led by a new coach, join a new league of mostly I-AA opponents and succeed? If that team hails from Davis, then the answer is yes! In his inaugural season in the new American West Conference, coach Bob Biggs guided the Aggies to a 10-2 mark and co-conference title, and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division II playoffs before losing to Texas A&M-Kingsville, 51-28. The Aggies may find this season more of a struggle with the loss of quarterback Khari Jones and All-America running back Preston Jackson, who helped set 38 offensive records in '93.

Six starters return on defense, led by linebacker Jason Hairston, who led the team in tackles for the second straight year, and cornerback Dyrell Foster (5 interceptions). Biggs needs to find a quarterback to replace Jones, but has a few weapons left in

slotback Mike Ichiyama (5-5, 160), who had nine touchdowns and 57 receptions for 660 yards, and tight end Aaron Bennetts (6-5, 235), who caught 41 passes for 635 yards and seven TDs. Rusty Stivers steps in for Jackson in the backfield, but the line returns only two starters: guard Matt Eckman and tackle Gregg Ames.

SOUTHERN UTAH

The Thunderbirds will bank on youthful experience to make the jump to respectability after a 3-7-1 record last fall. They made the most of their three triumphs, finishing at 3-1 in conference play. Back to lead the offense for the third year in a row is junior quarterback Rick Robins (124 of 243 passes for 1,859 yards and 10 TDs). He retains solid targets in wide receivers Shawn Jones, Melvin Lowe, and Kevin Culbertson, but replacements must be found in the backfield and at tight end.

Coach Jack Bishop's biggest task is retooling a defense which lost five all-conference performers: linebacker Jared Hunsaker, tackle Chris Kruger, safety Joe Straw, and corners Randy Roskelly and John



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Banks. The good news is end Jeff Galyean, nose tackle Shawn Blackham and linebacker Clint Baird return. Craig Van Woerkom or Paul Gallardo will handle the punting while Jason Haslam, back from missionary duty, is the place-kicker.

CAL STATE SACRAMENTO

The Hornets appear to be a mystery in '94, as coach Mike Clemons hopes to work his magic on a squad that returns only three regulars on offense and two on defense. All-conference inside linebacker Greg Johnson and cornerback Judd Fleming anchor the defense. Johnson, the returning tackle leader, is considered one of the best in Division I-AA. Fleming who took over when Reggie Claude was injured, finished the season with four interceptions and earned all-league honorable mention honors. Clemons will switch to a 3-4 alignment this fall.

On offense only three starters are back: tackles Jason Bannan and Joe Lozano and kicker Tyson Becker. Jason Van de Pol, Brian Daubin, and Joe Garofalo will compete at quarterback. Wide receiver Jermaine Hollie bounced back from a broken wrist to catch 21 passes in six games for 319 yards and two touchdowns.

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The Mustangs return 16 starters, eight on each side of the ball, for new coach Andre Patterson, who hopes to improve on last year's 6-4 finish (1-3 conference). Patterson had been the line coach at Washington State, whose defense ranked No. 2 in the Pac-10 and No. 9 nationally. He expects no less from the Mustangs. "We have been very demanding in trying to get them bigger, faster, and stronger, and they have risen to the challenge" said Patterson. Quarterback Mike Fisher earned first-team all-conference honors last year as he passed for 2,298 yards and 22 touchdowns. His principle target, wide receiver Joe Wade (44-743-9), is back. Jacques Jordan, David Vieler, and Ryan Steen form a solid backfield and Lee Johnson anchors the line. The defense returns linebacker Alex Garwood and lineman Buster Layton, who combined for 10 sacks and 100 tackles. The secondary is experienced with A. Dee Williams (3 interceptions) and Chris Henry. Replacements are needed for both kickers.

CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE

The Matadors look to move up in the standings after posting a 1-3 (fourth place) conference mark and 4-6 overall record in '93. Bob Burt returns 12 starters, including standout quarterback J.J. O'Laughlin and wide receiver Duc Ngo. O'Laughlin, a transfer from the University of Illinois, joined the Matadors last fall and completed 99 of 214 passes for 1,181 yards and nine TDs in seven games. Ngo, born in Vietnam, has led the Matadors in receptions for the past two seasons. Mark Harper, who replaces departed back Robert Trice, should see plenty of daylight behind a veteran line: Ed Babayova, who has moved from guard to tackle opposite Jeff Duke, guards Jon Beauregard and Omar Uresti, and center Trevor Watters.

The defense will have to be rebuilt, having lost seven regulars, including the AWC's Defensive Player of the Year, Angel Chavez. Linemen Oscar Wilson and Tim Gardner looked impressive in spring drills, and Burt expects contributions from linebackers Tony Simon and Arnie Madrid. Vinny Johnson anchors the secondary.

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The Gaels finished last season at 6-3-1, their seventh consecutive winning record. With 10 starters returning, they should keep their streak alive. Quarterback Cree Morris is gone, but Coley Connelly proved more than an adequate backup, completing 54 percent of his passes for seven TDs and only one interception. As a redshirt freshman, wideout Blake Tuffli was tough on opposing secondaries, catching 61 passes for 929 yards and seven touchdowns. Backfield mates Mike Jones and Bonner Cummings combined for 1,047 yards and 10 touchdowns. Senior linebacker Peter Baichtal led the team with 101 stops. Eddie Ford and Lavelle Townsend return in the secondary and Domingo Ruiz, George Petrissans, and Ryan Wolff in the line. Place-kicker Mike Estrellas, the Gaels' all-time scoring leader, and punter Brad Leppke will have to be replaced.



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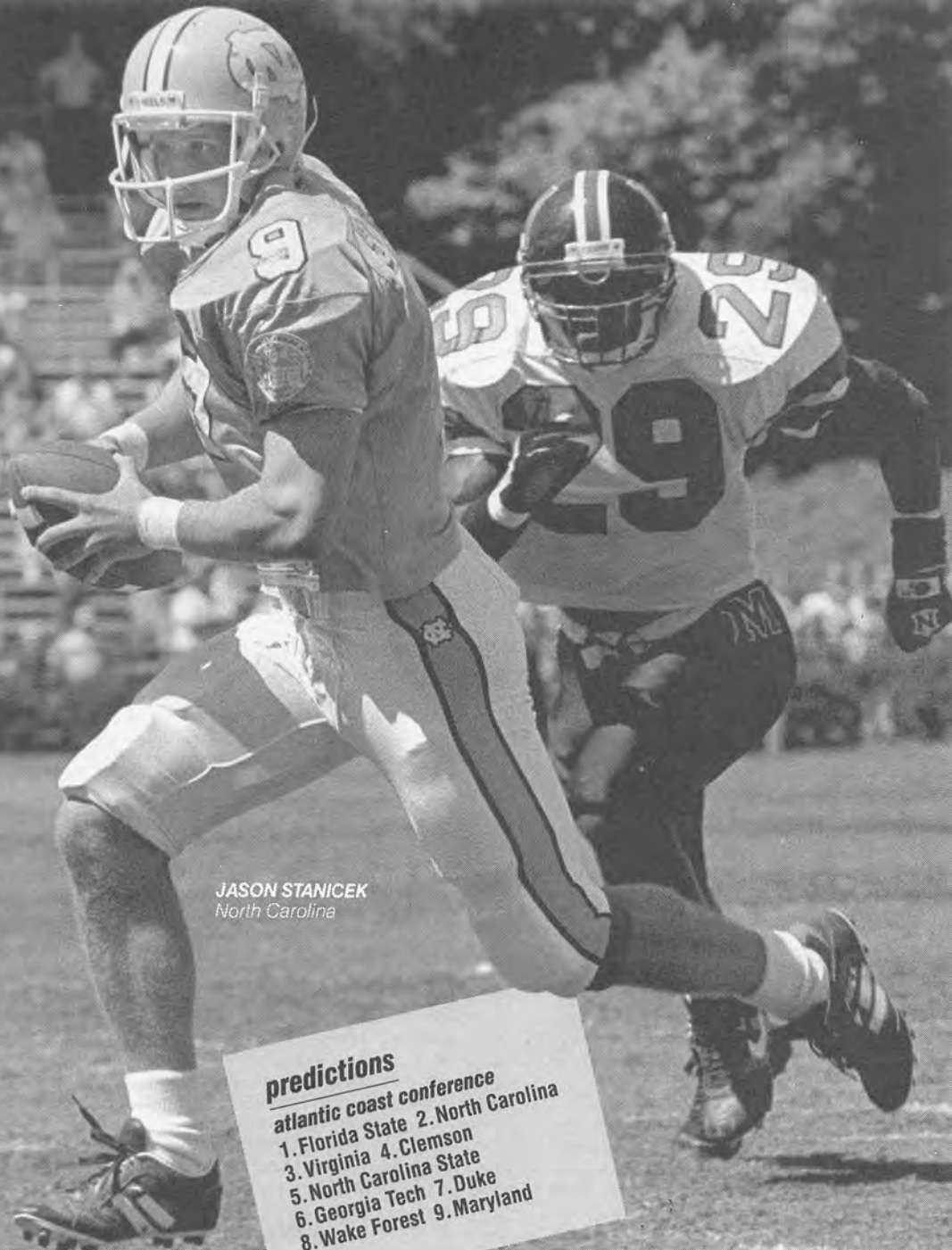
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FLORIDA STATE

The Seminoles finally reeled in the big one—the national championship—and coach Bobby Bowden does not automatically dismiss talk of a repeat. But a *Sports Illustrated* report alleging that at least seven players had been guilty of NCAA rules violations put a stain on the '93 accomplishments and left the program under a cloud. Should the allegations become fact and the scandal spread, the impact could be significant. If not, the Seminoles will rank among the nation's best again, even though Heisman winner Charlie Ward is among the missing.

Bowden says he will wait until fall practice to anoint Ward's successor. But the odds are that Danny Kanell will be the guy. He came out of spring practice atop the depth chart, and he is the only quarterback candidate to start for Florida State. He has completed 45 of his 69 passes (65.2 percent) for 634 yards, eight touchdowns, and no interceptions. He completed 28 of 38 for 341 yards and five TDs in his only start, a 49-20 romp over Maryland. "He played almost a flawless game," Bowden admitted.

No matter whether Kanell, Jon Stark, or Thad Busby wins the job, he will work behind one of FSU's finest offensive lines. Six of the top seven linemen—four starters and two part-time starters—return, and only one is a senior. Center Clay Shiver, an all-ACC choice, is the best of the bunch. He calls the blocking assignments and allowed only

one-half sack in more than 700 plays last season. Patrick McNeil and Lewis Tyre are back at guard and Juan Laureano, Forrest Conoly, and Jesus Hernandez share the tackle positions. Warrick Dunn is the lone tailback returning, but his credentials are spectacular. He scored 10 touchdowns, four rushing and six on receptions. Except for Kez McCorvey, the receivers are relatively inexperienced. But McCorvey could be enough by himself. He caught 74 passes for 966 yards and six TDs last fall.

Opponents who are counting on the Seminoles' defense to be less effective this season will be disappointed. In fact, the unit could be stronger than ever, and last year's led the nation in scoring defense. Outside linebacker Derrick Brooks ranks among the nation's best and had personally outscored the opposition, 18-14, after five games. Todd Rebol starts on the other side, and the linebacking corps received rave reviews

from Bowden. "They should be outstanding," he said. End Derrick Alexander earned All-America honors in '93, and James Roberson returns on the other side. Clifton Abraham will start for the third year at cornerback, and he, too, is a leading all-star candidate.

The Seminoles won't start the season again in the Kickoff Classic, but the rest of the schedule is the same as it was a year ago: the eight ACC foes, plus Florida, Miami, and Notre Dame. The results might be the same, too. "The ACC will be much stronger," Bowden claimed. "We will have to play at our highest level to defend the national championship. [But] if this team will keep the same work habits and can stay healthy, we'll be right there again."

NORTH CAROLINA

With 14 starters from a 10-3 bowl team among the missing, the Tar Heels might be expected to enter a plea of poverty. Instead, they dare to dream of having another nationally ranked powerhouse. Sound far-fetched? Maybe. But coach Mack Brown's arsenal is not empty, and he has developed his program to the stage where he now rebuilds rather than reloads. Expecting the Tar Heels to thrive goes against one of football's most sacred writs: Beware of the team without a proven offensive line. Indeed, the starting front in Chapel Hill will be almost completely new. "Last year, we leaned heavily on our linemen, quarterbacks, and wide receivers early while our young tailbacks were developing," Brown said. "A lot of that responsibility will be switched around."

Senior quarterback Jason Stanicek and tailbacks Curtis Johnson and Leon Johnson are capable of shouldering the burden. Stanicek is rewriting the UNC record book. Yes, barring injury, he should erase Charlie (Choo Choo) Justice's unbreakable total-offense mark. He is six yards shy of 4,000 and would have been the ACC Player of the Year if not for a guy named Charlie Ward at Florida State. Stanicek completed 64 percent of his passes for 1,878 yards and 12 touchdowns to move to No. 2 on the school chart for career completions and passing yardage. Curtis Johnson, a 5-10, 208-pound junior with sprinter's speed, rushed for 1,034 yards, scored 12 TDs, and won all-ACC honors. Fellow tailback Leon Johnson (6-1 and 210) ran for 1,012 yards, scored 16 TDs, caught 29 passes for another 233 yards, and took home the conference's Freshman of the Year honors.

Malcolm Marshall and William Henderson, who split time at fullback, return. But junior center Pat Conneely (6-5, 250) is the only regular back on the line that this fall will include guard Russell Babb (6-4, 285) and tackles Byron Thomas (6-4, 300) and Roge Purgason (6-5, 285). Greg DeLong, injured in the fifth game last season, and Freddie Johns, his replacement, are back at tight end. Juniors Marcus Wall and Gray Boverder lead the cast of candidates to replace all-star wide receivers Corey Holliday, UNC's career reception leader (155), and big-play threat Bucky Brooks.

Eight starters are missing from the defense that ranked second in the ACC and 21st nationally. But tackle Marcus Jones, whom Brown claims can be as good as any

in the country at his position, helps ease the losses. Jones (6-6, 260) had 8½ sacks, third on UNC's single-season list behind Lawrence Taylor's 16 and William Fuller's nine. Guard Riddick Parker and tackle Greg Black join Jones in the line. The strength of the unit should be at inside linebacker with Kerry Mock, Eddie Mason, and Mike Morton. Oscar Sturgis, a former tight end, and James Hamilton bring experience to outside linebacker; corner Jimmy Hitchcock and strong safety Sean Boyd head the secondary.

The Tar Heels lost only to Florida State, Virginia, and Alabama en route to their sparkling 1993 record. Along the way, they settled some scores, particularly with Clemson (24-0) and North Carolina State (35-14). Despite their personnel losses, they remain a top 15 team, and their dreams for another outstanding season could well come true.

VIRGINIA

The bad ol' days of Virginia football are long gone, and 1994 could be spectacular if coach George Welsh can rebuild his offensive line. The Cavaliers return 13 starters from a 7-5 bowl team, and among them are a dead-eye quarterback, a record-breaking linebacker, and a posse of regulars from a defensive unit that tied for the national lead in interceptions.

Junior quarterback Symmion Willis set a school record with 2,347 yards passing in 1993, and the Cavaliers figure the best is yet to come. He completed 59.8 percent and threw for 19 TDs with 14 interceptions. On 63 percent of his completions he threw for a first down or a touchdown. Willis will have familiar targets: junior Pete Allen, a two-year starter, and senior Tyrone Davis, who



KEZ McCORVEY *Florida State*

caught six TD passes last fall and has a 22.5-yard per-catch career average. Junior Patrick Jeffers caught 32 passes and scored six TDs in '93. Tailback Kevin Brooks, the No. 2 rusher a year ago (538 yards), teams with Charles Way. Way scored seven times and led all ACC fullbacks with 468 yards, including 136 (and three TDs) in a 43-29 triumph over Maryland.

The Cavaliers struck quickly and made the most of their opportunities. Only seven of their 40 touchdown drives required more than 10 plays, and they scored 26 of the 30

times they had a first down inside the opponents' 20-yard line. That 86.7 efficiency included 22 TDs and four field goals. To maintain that enviable percentage, the Cavaliers need to replace three all-ACC players in the offensive line. Center Bryan Heath and tackle John Slocum are veteran starters, and junior tackle Chris Harrison returns after suffering a preseason injury. Guard Jeremy Raley and tackles Jason Augustino and Greg Powell compete for starting jobs.

"Replacing [safety] Keith Lyle and cornerback George McClellan is a key for us," Welsh said. "More teams are throwing the football, and there's more pressure on the deep people. I think our front seven should be pretty good. Again with us, as it has been for the last couple of years, it is a question of depth." Cornerback Carl Smith and part-time starter Joe Crocker are the new leaders in the secondary. The line returns second-team all-ACC end Mike Frederick, the team's defensive MVP, whose 74 tackles included 11 sacks and 21 for losses, and tackles Mark Krichbaum and Ryan Kuehl. Randy Neal and Jamie Sharper are proven linebackers. Neal took part in a school-record 139 tackles last fall and broke up seven passes and intercepted two. Sharper won freshman All-America honors after making 99 tackles and intercepting two passes. Skeet Jones and James Farris will compete



DERRICK BROOKS *Florida State*

for the spot vacated by Tom Burns. Punter Will Brice (42.2-yard average) and place-kicker Kyle Kirkeide return.

Once one of the softest touches in college football, the Cavaliers have won at least seven games for seven straight seasons. How many other teams have done that in the ACC? Only one, Maryland, which put together an eight-year streak from 1973-80. Virginia should equal that mark this fall.

CLEMSON

Most schools would be pleased with an 8-3 bowl team. Clemson wanted more, and the Tigers ran off coach Ken Hatfield, his 32-13-1 record and three bowl teams in four seasons notwithstanding. His biggest shortcoming? He could not replace Danny Ford. Former Clemson aide Tommy West, takes command, and he has ties to the Ford era. His bubbly personality quickly won over dis-

grunted fans who could not identify with Hatfield.

Whether West matches Hatfield's field success remains to be seen, but his first game got his reign started in the right direction. Indeed, Clemson's 14-13 victory over Kentucky in the Peach Bowl with West at the helm resembled the Tigers under Hatfield. Someway, somehow, the offense got enough points. The offense, however, sputtered all season, and the Tigers must get more consistent play from quarterback Patrick Sapp and the line to challenge in the conference race. Seven of the top 10 linemen who paved the way for a paltry 311 yards per game are gone.

"Our offensive line might be the all-time rebuilding challenge," West said. Guard Will Young, tackle Robert Jackson, and tight end Stephon Wynn are veterans, but experience is otherwise scarce. Sapp shared time at quarterback with the oft-injured Louis Solomon and Dexter McCleon, who moved from cornerback and led the Tigers to victories over Virginia and South Carolina to complete the regular season. McCleon, however, played baseball in the spring and will be on defense this fall. Sapp passed for 1,084 yards and four touchdowns in 10 games. However, he protected the ball, throwing only four interceptions. Maybe the '93 offense's claim to fame will be protecting the ball. The Tigers committed only 19 turnovers (10 interceptions, 9 lost fumbles), and the defense forced 30. Fullback Emory Smith, the brother of Cowboys star Emmitt Smith, is the top returning rusher, but the Tigers must replace all-time leading receiver Terry Smith and find a tailback. Place-kicker Nelson Welch, who needs 50 points to become the school's career leader, is back.

To win nine games with an offense that scores fewer than 20 points in seven games, the defense must be good. Clemson's was and is. The Tigers permitted only 192 points (57 in the debacle against Florida State) and ranked 15th in scoring defense. "We have the core of a tremendous defense returning," West said in surveying the unit that returns 10 starters. Brentson Buckner is the only player of consequence missing, but he'll be replaced by Wayne Forney, third in tackles in 1992 and out most of last fall with an injury. Carlos Curry, LaMarick Simpson, and Marvin Cross join him in a proven line. Inside linebacker Tim Jones, who could become the first player to lead Clemson in tackles for three straight seasons, saved a 20-14 win over N.C. State by knocking down passes at the goal line on the final two plays of the game. Michael Barber returns at the other inside spot and Wardell Rouse on the outside. Strong safety Brian Dawkins and three-sport star Andre Humphrey at corner have starting experience.

"If we can get our offense to improve to the levels of our defense, we will really have something," West said. He would have a championship contender. Until then, though, the Tigers will be looking up and remember where they used to be.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE

The Wolfpack's play in 1993 can be described in one word: inconsistent. The team could play so well, and it could play so poorly. Sometimes the contrasts went from one

play to the next. In the end, the Wolfpack forged a 7-5 record, which was not bad, except for how the season ended: a 62-3 lashing from Florida State and a 42-7 embarrassment against Michigan in the Hall of Fame Bowl.

The problems—or at least the unrest—began in midsummer. Coach Dick Sheridan shocked the football world by resigning five weeks prior to fall practice. He cited health reasons for his decision and almost literally disappeared from public view. Mike O'Cain, the offensive coordinator, became head coach and saw his chances for a big season disappear in a sea of injuries that decimated



SYMMION WILLIS Virginia

his defensive front. But the Wolfpack demonstrated a remarkable ability to rescue lost causes, winning four times by scoring at least two fourth-quarter touchdowns. And it barely fell short of erasing 20- and 21-point deficits with frantic finishes. "I will always hold last year's team up as an example of what a 'never-say-die' attitude is all about," O'Cain said.

State lost its leading rusher, top fullback, and tight end for the second straight year. Unlike most other first-division challengers in the ACC, though, the Wolfpack is blessed with a nucleus along the offensive line, which yielded just 14 sacks last season. Guards Chris Hennie-Roed and Steve Keim and twin tackles Scott and Heath Woods return to anchor the unit. The top offensive weapon is all-star wide receiver Eddie Goines, who likely will rewrite the school record book this fall. He led the league with 10 touchdown catches and a 19.3-yard average last year. Delivering the ball will be quarterbacks Terry Harvey and Geoff Bender, each with more than 2,000 career passing yards. Harvey started the last seven games, completing 55.7 percent for 1,837 yards and 14 TDs with eight interceptions. He became Mr. Excitement, repeatedly engineering the Wolfpack's last-gasp rallies. Bender, who started the first five games, came off the bench with State down 21-0 to Duke and brought the Wolfpack to within a point before his two-point conversion pass for the victory fell incomplete. Junior Brian Fitzgerald and soph Kevin Matier will battle

for the tailback job. Rod Brown is the heir-apparent at fullback. Kicker Steve Videtich is an asset.

The Wolfpack's defensive unit kept the medical staff busy in 1993. The starting tackles played a total of four games and five other linemen underwent surgery. Thus, State's primary wish is for good health. But depth could be a problem. "Establishing some experience with our young people is a priority," said O'Cain. Inside linebacker Damien Covington took part in 133 tackles last season, including 21 against Clemson. Tackle Carl Reeves missed seven games after breaking his leg in the final preseason scrimmage, but he figures prominently in the new plans. Although small (227 pounds) for his position, he has 16½ sacks and 128 tackles in 26 games. Outside linebacker Eddie Gallon, cornerback William Strong, and free safety James Walker are solid.

If nothing else, expect more stability from the Wolfpack this fall. And that could translate into more victories.

GEORGIA TECH

The Yellow Jackets experienced one of those feast-or-famine seasons in 1993, either winning big or losing big en route to their second straight 5-6 finish. They like to point out that a couple of narrow losses (16-13 to Clemson and 28-23 to N.C. State) separated them from a 7-4 mark and a bowl bid. But does a team on the wrong end of 35-14, 51-0, 41-3, and 43-10 scores merit bowl consideration? Coach Bill Lewis hopes a shakeup of the coaching staff and an attitude adjustment are Tech's keys to improvement. More consistency would obviously help. The defense particularly needs attention, for it surrendered 26 points per game.

Quarterback Donnie Davis, who completed 58 percent of his passes for 1,739 yards and 12 TDs, underwent surgery twice and missed spring practice. Davis must be healthy by the start of fall drills or the Yellow Jackets' problems will be compounded. Already missing from the unit that averaged 23.6 points per game and just under 400 yards are tailbacks Dorsey Levens and William Bell and starting fullback Jeff Wright. Derrick Steagall, the H-back (slot receiver), has blazing speed and provides a threat both receiving and on kickoff returns. Omar Cassidy and Charlie Simmons are solid at split end, and only one starter is missing from the line that features guard Brian Bravy and center Mike Cheever. Lewis hired Gary Crowton to work with the quarterbacks and share the offensive-coordinator duties.

More acclaimed is the return of defensive coordinator George O'Leary from the San Diego Chargers. He had guided Tech's nationally ranked defenses under Bobby Ross, but he inherits a unit that was 78th in total defense and 81st against the pass last season. O'Leary will build around inside linebacker Jamal Cox, who led the team with 111 tackles. He could be one of the nation's best this year. Alongside him is three-year regular Rodney Wilkerson. The line needs a major overhaul because, according to Lewis, "defense starts with the ability to control the line of scrimmage," which Tech did not do. The effectiveness of the secondary is a sore spot as well. Lewis wants to see more aggressiveness create more turnovers.

DUKE

Fred Goldsmith worked miracles at Rice, guiding the Owls to consecutive winning seasons for the first time in 32 years. Now he is being challenged to do the same at Duke. At Rice, he took over a team that had lost 18 straight games. His challenge should be easier at his new job, where the 12 returning starters include the top three rushers, both quarterbacks, the best pass rusher, and three of the top four tacklers from the 1993 squad that, with a little luck, might have finished 5-6 rather than 3-8. Improved physical condition ranked atop Goldsmith's list of spring priorities. Instilling pride and the intensity of playing for success followed. The idea, he says, is to emphasize "the things we can control."

The Blue Devils' attack will be built around quarterback Spence Fischer, who threw for 2,563 yards a year ago, and a veteran line led by center Jeroen Egge and tackle Matt Williams. Tailback David Lowman (439 yards rushing) is healthy after knee surgery, and fullback Robert Baldwin (332 yards) ranks among the league's best blockers. Wide receivers Jon Jensen and Steve Spurrier and tight end John Farquhar are the tar-

experience, but James Kirkland proved himself with seven sacks last season. Senior David Hawkins and freshman Johannes Brugger give the Blue Devils increased speed at linebacker.

Goldsmith uses a coach's adage in looking ahead to the 1994 season: "You have to take one game at a time," he said. And looking at that first game, he can breathe a sigh of relief. Rather than Florida State, the opening foe the past two years, Duke plays Maryland. Overall, the schedule is favorable: The Blue Devils play their first three games at home and do not encounter any real heavyweights until late in the year.

WAKE FOREST

Jim Caldwell begins his second season at Wake Forest with one immediate goal: "We simply need to be a more physical football team if we are to be successful," said Caldwell, who learned the value of toughness during seven seasons on the staff at Penn State. The goals certainly include more than the two victories mustered in 1993, one of which was Wake's first over Clemson in Death Valley since 1961. Caldwell believes familiarity will help take care of that. "This time last year, we were introducing a new system and new terminology," he said.

Thirteen starters, including eight on defense, return, but some will move to different positions and some will face more competition for playing time. The defense will center around linebacker Kevin Giles, the team's leading tackler in 1992-93. Tucker Grace, the No. 2 tackler, who missed spring drills after shoulder surgery, fills the other linebacker spot. His absence in the spring allowed Mike Neubeiser to step forward and earn the team award for effort and improvement. Sophomore Tom Stuetzer, who had four interceptions, leads a deep secondary. Brent Morehead and Richard Goodpasture started last fall, but sophs Major Griffey and Terrence Suber are challenging. Jimmy Quander moved from linebacker to end, displacing Harold Gragg. Maurice Gravely takes Quander's linebacker spot. Meanwhile, former end Semmah Taylor moves inside to tackle.

Eight of the top 10 linemen return to anchor the offense. Junior Elton Ndoma-Ogar and senior Eddie McKeel both will be starting for the third season, and three sophomores—Tony Yarnall, Doug Marsigli, and Bill Leeder—will hold the other spots. Rusty LaRue, who started five games a year ago, gets the call at quarterback, and he will be working with solid receivers in Roger Pettus, Rhett Blanchard, and Dan Ballou. But the Deacons must replace tailback John Leach, who set a single-game ACC record with 329 yards rushing against Maryland en route to leading the league in rushing. Sophomore John Lewis and senior Jeremiah Williams are the likely replacements.

MARYLAND

The Terps have rewritten the record book in two seasons under coach Mark Duffner. But they have won not won many games, nor are they likely to until the defense shows significant improvement. The Terps surrendered 479 points, an average of 43.6 per game, in stumbling to a 2-9 record. They held only Duke to fewer than 28 points and yielded 49

or more on four occasions. Opponents averaged 317 yards rushing and 553 yards in total offense per game.

On the positive side, one wide receiver, one outside linebacker, and the tailback are the only spots without a returning regular. And the Terps racked up yards in wholesale lots behind quarterback Scott Milanovich, who completed 279 of 431 passes (64.7 percent) for 3,499 yards and 26 TDs (and 18 interceptions) last fall. He led the conference in just about every category and earned third-team all-ACC honors. He also made first-team all-ACC in punting. Receivers abound. Jermaine Lewis, who missed three games with an injury, did not play enough games to be listed in the league statistics. Nevertheless, he led the ACC in receiving yards (957) and average yards per catch (18.4). He scored seven touchdowns, three against West Virginia. "Even though we've gained a lot of yards, some new wrinkles would make us even more unpredictable," Duffner said in examining his run-and-shoot offense that has set 46 school records. Senior Allen Williams, who started for Mark Mason and gained 242 yards in the last three games, is the likely tailback. Duffner rates tackle Steve Ingram as the team's best player.

The defensive woes of '93 can be blamed on inexperience. The Terps played far too many true freshmen to be competitive, and experience should make them better this fall. Ratcliff Thomas, a true freshman, led the team in tackles and ranked among the league leaders.

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EAST CAROLINA

East Carolina, the only I-A independent in the Atlantic Coast area, will always dream of a season to match the glorious 11-1 record in 1991. But until the defense—picked apart the past two seasons—improves significantly, the Pirates will suffer. They used a high-powered offense to offset their defensive deficiencies in going 5-6 in 1992. But the offense joined the defense in the doldrums last season, and a 2-9 record was the result. Turnovers (East Carolina finished minus-13) played a huge role. Thirteen starters, led by all-star running back Junior Smith return, and coach Steve Logan expects significant improvement. Eight true freshmen played last season and six started—numbers that mean a rebuilding project is in progress. The experienced gained should be a plus. Statistically, the Pirates return 100 percent of their passing yards, 98 percent of their rushing yards, 52 percent of their receiving yards, and 61 percent of their tackles.

Smith, 5-6 and 174 pounds, ran for 123 yards per game to rank sixth nationally a year ago. He is the No. 2 rusher returning this season. Look for him to add to his lengthy list of school records. Improved production at quarterback would help. The Pirates threw 23 interceptions last season. Marcus Crandell, who suffered a broken leg in the second game, returns. Perez Mattison, one of the true freshmen, started the final six games and suffered from the lack of experience, with 16 interceptions.

The Pirates surrendered 30 points a game in 1993, holding only two rivals to fewer than 24 points. Although playing only nine



Chris East

TIM JONES Clemson

gets. The line permitted only 21 sacks on 478 pass plays last fall and should be better with more experience. Williams earned team MVP honors a year ago and joins Egge, Clarence Collins, Geoff Smith, and Jon Merrill in leading the unit.

Defense, however, is another story. Four starters are back from the group that allowed 32 points per game. Goldsmith hopes to take big plays away from opponents and "make the other team go the hard way" to score. Three of the veteran starters are in the secondary. Free safety Ray Farmer had 68 tackles and three interceptions; Tee Edwards returns at strong safety and Zaid Abdul-Aleem at cornerback. Tackle Mike Stallmeyer is the only lineman with starting

games, junior linebacker Mark Libiano led the team with 114 tackles. Strong safety Daren Hart set a freshman school record with 97 tackles, and linebacker Morris Foreman participated on 71 stops before a broken thumb sidelined him for the final three games. The return of tackle Walter Scott, who missed all of the '93 season with a knee injury, should strengthen the line.

atlantic i-aa independents

predictions

atlantic i-aa independents

1. Liberty
2. Towson State
3. Charleston Southern
4. Davidson

The Atlantic Coast area's independents are gone with the wind, and those remaining covet conference affiliation. A couple of transfers to join 14 regulars from a 6-5 team are reasons for smiles from Liberty coach Sam Rutigliano. After breaking or tying 46 school records in a 7-2 season, Towson State has an impossible act to follow. Charleston Southern hopes that its first spring football practice and its first class of senior players translate into improvement on a 3-8 record. Davidson competes in I-AA in name only: The Wildcats are a cost containment program (translation: no scholarships) and will play all Division III foes.

LIBERTY

J.T. Morris, a hometown product who started his college career at Penn State, returns to Lynchburg, VA, and Liberty University, and coach Sam Rutigliano could not be happier. Morris, who rushed for more than 4,000 yards in high school, provides a dimension that other Division I-AA teams simply do not have. He is 5-11, weighs 221 pounds, and will be the featured back in the one-back attack. He joins 14 starters from a 6-5 team and should take the pressure off quarterback Antwan Chiles, a Florida transfer who passed for 1,487 yards and nine touchdowns in 10 games (four starts) last season. Chiles will work with a new set of receivers, including the heralded Courtney Freeman. Jeffery Scranton, another transfer from Florida, is a plus on the line, which will be coached by former all-pro Joe DeLamielleure.

Free safety Marcus Leggett is the top returning tackler and joins end Damon Bomar (6 sacks) and tackle Manson Clark in heading the defense. The big question mark is the secondary, which intercepted only five passes last season.

TOWSON STATE

The Tigers must rebuild both lines in their third season under coach Gordy Combs, who lost 13 regulars from the record-setting 1993 club. "Once we find the starters, it will be just as important to determine backups," Combs said. "We don't have the depth we had last year."

Neither do the Tigers have All-America tailback Tony Vinson, who set 15 school and 11 Division I-AA records during his career. He captured the I-AA version of the triple

crown, leading the nation in rushing (201.6 yards per game), all-purpose yards (207.3), and scoring (14.4). He posted I-AA single-season (2,016) and single-game (364 vs. Bucknell) rushing yardage records. The offensive line, which paved the way for Vinson and permitted just five sacks on 223 pass plays, returns one regular: senior Alan Brown. Eric Peterson saw considerable playing time and will move in at tackle. Quarterback Dan Crowley is back for his fourth season as the starter. He should own every school passing mark by season's end. He threw for 1,882 yards and 23 TDs with only four interceptions last fall.

The defense will be smaller but quicker, "and that should help us be more aggressive," Combs said. The linebacker and secondary spots are well-stocked. Mike Arbuthina, the leading tackler for two years, and Warren Lewis start at inside linebacker, and Marco Calise and John Bardak will take care of the outside spots. Scott Tull and Dan Nate, both former starters at linebacker, are moving to the line. Free safety Don Zimmerman and cornerback Marcellus Campbell anchor a strong secondary. Dedin Witherspoon, who missed last year with a knee injury, likely will start at strong safety and Chad Scott at the other cornerback.

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN

This will be the Buccaneers' fourth season, and experience should make them better. But they will not be good enough to compete successfully in Division I-AA. Their three victories last season came against NAIA foes—all by slim margins—and they suffered some one-sided lashings from I-AA rivals.

Protecting the football is a priority. The Bucs lost 24 fumbles a year ago. Tailback D'Angelo Dereef rushed for 550 yards, caught 19 passes for 160 yards, scored five TDs, and led the team in punt and kickoff returns. He finished seventh in I-AA in all-purpose yards. Fullback Chris Oliver is experienced. Senior J.J. Brinkerhoff and sophomore Mike Young are expected to duel for the quarterback spot. Tackles Jack Weiss and Clay Moose head the offensive line.

Tackle Dennis Hamilton, the team MVP, heads the defense. Although the secondary is experienced, the lack of speed is a problem. The linebacking corps is unsettled.

DAVIDSON

The Wildcats play I-AA football in name only and only to satisfy membership requirements for the Southern Conference. In fact, the school gives no financial aid for football and plays Division II foes. Coach Tim Landis, at 28 one of the youngest head coaches in the nation, begins his second season at the helm with 14 starters among 41 lettermen. He expects the Wildcats to match last season's 6-4 record. Defense should be the team's strength, with nine regulars returning. Linebacker Chris Leak and lineman Mills Atrial head the cast. Kevin Holzworth, an off-and-on starter during his career, gets the nod at quarterback. Fullback Bruce Banister is a threat as a runner and receiver.

Among innovations this season are the first home night game at Richardson Field (October 1 vs. Guilford) and a season-ending game against the University of the South in Bermuda.

southern conference

predictions

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1. Marshall
2. Georgia Southern
3. Western Carolina
4. East Tennessee State
5. Appalachian State
6. The Citadel
7. Furman
8. UT-Chattanooga
9. VMI

Should we bother to play this 1994 Division I-AA football season, or should we simply skip to the national championship game and invite Marshall and Youngstown State? These guys show up every year, Marshall waving the banner of the Southern Conference and Youngstown State insisting that independents do it better. For the past three seasons, the two schools have met in the title game, with Youngstown State winning, 25-17, in 1991, Marshall taking a 32-28 decision in '92, and Youngstown State quieting the Thundering Herd, 17-5, last year.

Is it Marshall's turn again? Maybe. And the Herd feels so good about its chances that it is hosting the title game for the third straight year. But if Marshall stumbles, someone else from the SC may replace it in that final game. Almost every team in I-AA's finest league is thinking such thoughts, perhaps because SC teams have participated in seven of the division's 12 national championship games. And seven of the league's nine football-playing members (Davidson plays in Division III) have earned playoff bids since the division was established.

The Southern features three new coaches. Jimmy Satterfield stepped down at Furman and was replaced by defensive whiz Bobby Johnson. Tommy West stayed at UT-Chattanooga for just one season before answering Clemson's call. He'll be replaced by Buddy Green. And VMI chucked Jim Shuck and called in Bill Stewart. They'll each get an eyeful. Last season, the SC finished with just two nationally ranked teams: newcomer Georgia Southern at No. 2 and Marshall at No. 9. Expect at least four members to be ranked for most of this season. There's just so much talent on hand. Five teams return at least 14 starters. All nine return at least 11.

MARSHALL

(11-4, 6-2) Other SC teams have more starters returning, but with the Thundering Herd, it's important to note who is among the 12 starters back from 1993's national runner-up. Start with tailback and conference player of the year Chris Parker, who rushed for a school-record 1,750 yards and contributed 24 touchdowns. But don't stop there. Back at the controls of coach Jim Donnan's high-powered offense is senior quarterback Todd Donnan, and he's not playing because he's the coach's son. Todd completed 211 of 372 passes for 2,591 yards and 13 TDs, heading a unit that averaged 350.6 yards per game and led the SC in scoring with a 27.6 mark. Donnan can throw to a batch of talented receivers, including junior Ricky Carter (69 catches). The major blow is the loss of Chris

Deaton, an All-America who won the SC's Jacobs Blocking Trophy.

Marshall led the league in defense, both total (303 yards) and scoring (13.7 points), but lost all three linebackers. The line will be strong again, and the secondary would have returned complete but for an off-season, career-ending injury to cornerback Tuan Reynolds. All-conference safety Roger Johnson is back, though.

Expect all that material, spurred by coach Donnan's fiery competitiveness, to produce an SC title this fall. And maybe even something a little bigger.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

(10-3, 7-1) The rest of the Southern Conference used to save a special dislike for Georgia Southern. While the league was obviously I-AA's most dominant, it always seemed the Eagles were preventing the SC from proving it. Three times since the division's



ROGER JOHNSON Marshall

playoffs began in 1982, Georgia Southern knocked an SC member out of them. That included a 44-42 victory over Furman in the 1985 championship game. But the Eagles have joined the family, and last season began SC play. It proved a bit like Florida State's move to the ACC, although not on quite so dominant a scale. Georgia Southern won the SC's automatic playoff bid and lost to eventual champ Youngstown State in the quarterfinals.

The Eagles might fly higher this time. Coach Tim Stowers returns eight starters from a ball-control unit that rushed for 255.3 yards per game. The line, anchored by senior All-America center Franklin Stephens, is what makes the 'bone flex. Setting up behind that wall will be the Eagles' interchangeable senior quarterbacks. Joe Dupree is listed as No. 1 going into the fall, but Charles Bostick has started 12 games himself over the past two seasons. The running game features seniors Chris Wright and Shafton Fraley. If Stowers decides to throw more, everyone might find out about secret weapon Dexter Dawson, a split end whose 19 catches were good for 361 yards in '93.

The defense lost six starters, but two-time All-America lineman Alex Mash (good foot-

ball name) will be most missed. In his absence, the keys will be linebacker Paul Carroll, strong safety Rob Stockton, and free safety Alton Hitson (another good name).

WESTERN CAROLINA

(6-5, 5-3) The Catamounts are contenders again, thanks to coach Steve Hodgins' brick-by-brick rebuilding program that has now produced back-to-back winning seasons. How far they go depends in large part on quarterback Chad Greene. With all-SC Lonnie Galloway running Western's offense (411 yards per game) last fall, Greene was redshirted. Now he is needed. If he plays well, the Catamounts should challenge for first. If he doesn't, Western could slide into the second division of this competitive league. Eight offensive starters return, including four on a line that features all-conference center Wes Greenwell. Lining up next to them will be All-America wide receiver Kerry Hayes, a human cannonball who is I-AA's career leader in kick-return TDs (7). Hayes caught 35 passes for 679 yards last season, while Craig Aiken grabbed 37 for 719. Fullback Harold Hines (415 yards) heads a group of five experienced backs.

Defensively, Western isn't as stable, with only five starters back. The core of returnees is built around inside linebacker Tom Bodine, already the school's all-time leading tackler (347), and senior classmates Kenny Banks, who played outside last year but moves back inside this fall, and outside 'backer Aaron Lucas. Graduation ravaged the line and the secondary, so Hodgins is doing a bit of juggling. A key move has senior Herb Streater shifted to strong safety after a solid season at cornerback.

EAST TENNESSEE STATE

(5-6, 3-5) Surprise! Look who's suddenly among the pretenders to the SC throne. The Buccaneers have been smartly rebuilt in just two seasons by third-year coach Mike Cavan and now appear primed to bid for their first I-AA playoff berth. Cavan has more returning starters (17) than anyone in the league, and there's quality as well as quantity. Start with all-SC senior wide receiver Jeff Johnson (69 catches for 915 yards and 11 TDs), who could move up to All-America this year. Chris Beatty will go deep on the other side, while Jeremy Anderson holds down tight end. Sophomore Greg Ryan stole the quarterback job from Gabe Berry at midseason and threw for 1,137 yards and seven scores. Berry, now a junior, is a capable backup (1,042 yards and 5 TDs). Tailbacks Larry Bell, Robert Rogers, and Adonis Harris will run behind a wall that includes three returning starters and junior Mike Fredenburg (6-5, 300), a transfer from Georgia.

A maturing defense is built around sophomore Nakia Thomas (115 tackles) and two other returning linebackers. Three more starters are back in the secondary, among them junior cornerback Donnie Abraham, who had a league-high seven interceptions. The line may be the unit's weakest link. All-conference tackle Chad Radcliffe is gone, and there will be some reshuffling before the first kickoff. Watch rapidly improving sophomore tackle Armando DeLeon.

And watch the Buccaneers. All of a sudden, this team can play.

APPALACHIAN STATE

(4-7, 4-4) Last season stunned the Mountaineers' fans. Loss piled upon loss and before they knew it, their beloved Apps were off to a 1-7 start. ASU finished with three straight victories, providing hope for the future, but still saw a string of eight consecutive winning seasons emphatically snapped. There might be enough talent to start another winning streak, but the league is just too good to expect coach Jerry Moore to return the Mountaineers to their accustomed perch high in the SC standings this year.

ASU's offense will be built around senior tailback Chip Hooks, who's still just 5-7 and 155 pounds. No matter, Hooks is the school's No. 3 career rusher with 2,872 yards, 919 of them last season. Expect a thousand or so more this fall. Scott Satterfield (843 yards passing, 386 rushing), now a junior, started seven games at quarterback, but he'll compete for the job now with senior Andy Arnold, whose broken collarbone turned him into a redshirt in '93. The line returns four starters, including All-America possibility Brad Ohrt at tackle.

The defense will try a 4-3 set this season, and try to forget about all-league linebacker Brent David, who graduated with 425 career tackles. The unit will look to SC Freshman of the Year Dexter Coakley, who was in on 159 tackles last fall. Seven lettermen, including senior tackle William Peebles, return on the defensive line, and the secondary is solid with all-SC cornerback Matt Stevens (six interceptions) and safety Jamie Coleman.

THE CITADEL

(5-6, 4-4) The Bulldogs complemented their ground-gobbling wishbone offense (279.5 yards rushing) with a stingy defense, but it still added up to a disappointing year. Now 1994 is here, and coach Charlie Taaffe enters his eighth season with lots of holes to fill. Eight defensive starters are gone, including the entire front four. There may be shifts from offense—in fact, fifth-year senior Todd Lair did so last year, and should start at tackle. Tracey Gamble and Micah Young will start at linebacker. The secondary has but one returning starter, senior Ahren Self.

Expect the defense to be porous early, meaning the Bulldogs will simply have to outscore them. But can they? Fullback Everette Sands (877 yards) is gone. The leading candidate to replace him is junior Jason Pryor. The wishbone halfbacks are expected to be fifth-year senior Terrance Rivers and red-shirt freshman Kenyatta Spruill. Senior C.J. Haynes started at quarterback last season and produced 1,002 yards of total offense. But he could be pushed by talented sophomore John Burton. They'll have interesting targets in speedy wideouts Mike Flintom and Kenny Fillmore, who could prompt Taaffe to throw more. The line returns four starters, including center Shawn Lyons.

The Bulldogs will be tough—as they always are. Because of that, they'll beat some teams they're not supposed to. They just won't beat enough of them.

FURMAN

(5-5-1, 4-4) The Paladins always seem to keep it in the family, and to be true to their Dick Sheridan heritage. Sheridan built Furman into a Southern Conference power,

then left for N.C. State. Jimmy Satterfield took over, and won a national title in 1988. Now it's Bobby Johnson's turn. He, too, is part of the family, having been a Furman assistant for 16 of the past 18 years. He returns after one season as Clemson's defensive coordinator, hoping to inject new enthusiasm into a program that's been slipping.

It won't be easy. The defense must be rebuilt almost from scratch. Gone are three all-SC performers—end Ryan Livezey, linebacker Milan Sterling, and cornerback Andre Worrell—from a unit that wasn't that great anyway, allowing an average of 373.9 yards per game. A key is senior linebacker Clayton Gibson, who had 150 tackles in nine games before going down with a knee injury. He's supposed to be healthy again. The line lost four regulars, but the secondary is solid, featuring cornerback Kavis Reed and free safety Mark Tate.

Offensively, the line should be sound with the return of all-SC tackle Brian Fisher as well as starters Mike Jordan at center and Jim Peevy at guard. At quarterback are senior Philly Jones (117 of 205 passes for 1,606 yards and 9 TDs) or sophomore Braniff Bonaventure, who provided some clutch relief last fall. The receivers include flanker Rick Ford and wideout Adrick Harrison. But the running game was weak last year. Look for junior Leonardo McClarty to take over at tailback, where he gained 358 yards rushing over the last five games.

UT-CHATTANOOGA

(4-7, 2-6) Buddy Green takes over as the Moccasins' third head coach in three years, replacing Tommy West, who skipped off after one season to Clemson and the big time, leaving the reconstruction to Green. He inherits a team that can move the ball (352.6 yards per game) but allows opponents to move it even farther (429.5 yards, worst in the conference).

Senior quarterback Kenyon Earl returns. He completed 146 of 264 passes last fall for 2,233 yards and 16 touchdowns. His 134.99 efficiency was tops in the league. He'll throw to junior split end Terrell Owens (38 catches for 724 yards and 8 TDs), senior tight end Demarko Kemp (25), and junior flanker Derek Hall (22). All well and good. But who will carry the ball, and who will block for Mr. Earl? Both starting running backs are gone, and only one line starter, junior tackle Quonta Vance, returns. Keep an eye on sophomore Henry Bowen, who could steal the tailback job.

The defense retains eight regulars, but, remember, these guys didn't stop anybody a year ago. The strongest area is probably the secondary, where three starters, including free safety Jermaine Barnette, return. The depressing part is that Barnette's 66 tackles were a team high. All of which means Green has his work cut out for him. He's got the construction permit. We'll learn in the fall if his rebuilding project is on schedule.

VIRGINIA MILITARY

(1-10, 1-7) The last time the Keydets had a winning season, Ronald Reagan was in the first year of his presidency. Since that 6-3-1 mark in 1981, VMI has turned out a dozen straight losing teams. They try in Lexington,

Virginia. Oh, how they try. But it's tough to get quality football players to accept barracks life and discipline, and so VMI continues to struggle.

New boss Bill Stewart is making changes. He's junking the wishbone offense in favor of a multiple set, which means formerly ground-oriented VMI will try to start flying. To do so, quarterback Spike Johnson will have to improve his 39.2 percent completion percentage. But he seems to have the job. Eric Reynolds, who split time with Johnson in '93, has been shifted to flanker to bolster the receivers. Split end Marlon Anderson, a deep threat, caught 21 passes as a sophomore. He may double that total this season. The running game features sophomore halfback Thomas Haskins, who gained 594 yards on just 106 carries as a freshman. He'll be protected by a line that returns four regulars.

The defense retains seven starters, but it surrendered 426.9 yards a game last year, so that may not be a plus. Now Stewart steps into the fire. Let's give him a magic number of three. The Keydets haven't won that many conference games in a season since '81.

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While most of last year's preseason talk in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference centered around two-time defending champion North Carolina A&T and South Carolina State, Howard coach Steve Wilson kept a relatively low profile. He didn't say too much, didn't make any bold predictions. Just said he "hoped" to be competitive. But in the back of his mind, Wilson knew he had one thing no one else in the conference had: quarterback Jay Walker. Simply put, Walker constructed one of the best seasons an MEAC quarterback has ever had. The senior from Los Angeles completed 55 percent of his passes, set league records for completions (223) and passing yards (3,324), and equaled the league mark for touchdowns (24). His exploits helped propel the Bison to the league championship, an 11-0 regular-season record, and a berth in the Division I-AA playoffs.

This year, there isn't a dominant individual performer in the league, but there are several teams that appear to be capable of making a strong run at the title. And though Walker has departed, Howard should be one of the contenders.

HOWARD

(11-1, 6-0) Without question, quarterback Jay Walker was the focal point of the Bison's 1993 dream season. But he had plenty of help: an opportunistic defense that led the league in sacks and forced 30 turnovers,

solid special-team work, and players such as Jose White, Rupert Grant, James Cunningham, and Robert Bell, all of whom became stars in their own right. Because those four players return along with 36 other lettermen, chances are above average that coach Steve Wilson will be able to extend his stay atop the MEAC for another season.

Grant ran for 726 yards, caught 24 passes, and accounted for a league-high 20 touchdowns as a junior fullback. Cunningham hauled in 58 receptions and was a consistent threat as a return man. Bell is an All-America candidate at tackle, alongside center Daryl Hall. Pep Hamilton and Brent Williams will battle for the quarterbacking chores. Place-kicker Jason Decuir had a solid freshman year. White and Marc Christie turned in outstanding efforts at linebacker, while Tony Richards and Mike Sanders anchor the line. Though it was an area of concern in the preseason, there is talent in the secondary, which needs only more game experience.

Offsetting the loss of Walker won't be easy. But after last season's good fortune, the Bison are brimming with confidence, an intangible that can mean the difference between good teams and very good teams.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

(8-4, 4-2) The Bulldogs have climbed high in the MEAC in the last two seasons, only to find A&T and Howard unwilling to let them get to the top. State fielded another quality squad last fall, losing four games to three teams which fielded a combined record of 30-5. This fall, coach Willie Jeffries looks to scale that final rung of the league ladder.

Defense has always been a staple of success at State. Last year's unit was steady but had to share the spotlight with a potent offense. Junior running back Michael Hicks rambled for a league-high 1,388 yards and scored 17 touchdowns. Hicks and Aaron Manigault (416 yards) helped open up the passing attack for quarterback Marvin Marshall, who improved through the air as the season progressed and accounted for over 1,200 yards of total offense. Al Sheil will head a veteran offensive line.

Anthony Cook is the latest in a long line of excellent defensive linemen at State. He led the MEAC in sacks (17½) and was in on nearly eight tackles per game, despite opponents' efforts to run away from him. He returns, but State's perimeter defense lost quality performers in linebacker Joe Montford and safety James Hester. Aggressive backs Kevin Pope, Macey Stephens, and Russell Thomas hope to plug some of the gaps.

NORTH CAROLINA A&T

(8-3, 3-3) You know your program has arrived when you can win eight of 11 games against a killer schedule and still have some fans consider your season a disappointment. Ridiculous, yes, but that's exactly what happened to coach Bill Hayes's Aggies in 1993. A&T rolled through a demanding non-conference slate unscathed, but dropped an overtime game to Howard, another game against Delaware State that went to the final minute, and a triple-overtime thriller at South Carolina State that knocked them out of a shot at the Heritage Bowl. Thus there was no threepeat for the Aggies.

A&T's prolific wing-T attack churned out 284 yards rushing per game but lost several excellent backs and three standout offensive linemen from that unit. Hayes, however, does return junior quarterback Maseo Bolin, who completed 57 percent of his passes for 1,832 yards and showed the leadership potential coaches love. Brian Rodman and Larry King top another stable of Aggie backs, and Lamont Jones will try to stabilize a youthful but large offensive line.

Defensively, A&T has several talented performers, such as linemen Toran James and Jimmy Barger, safety Curtis Burgins, and linebackers Mike Hamilton and Rod McDougald. But the Aggies must improve their pass defense to make another run at the league championship.

DELAWARE STATE

(6-5, 4-2) Every once in a while there are players who are so good for so long that opposing coaches wonder if and when their senior season will ever come. For coaches in the MEAC, Del State running back Phil Anderson is one of those players. After rushing for nearly 800 yards as a sophomore, Anderson topped that performance last year, gaining 1,082 yards (averaging seven per carry), scoring 10 touchdowns, and catching 23 passes. But though 14 other starters also return, coach Bill Collick knows there are still a few holes left to fill. Wide receiver Derrick Neal, who averaged over 22 yards per catch last fall, established himself as one of the league's big-play men. All Collick has to do is find someone to get him the ball consistently. Both MacAdoo Harrison-Dixon and Dennis Jones showed flashes of brilliance during the spring at quarterback, but neither could claim sole ownership of the job. Joe Harris and Darald Stancil lend depth at running back. Keith Jarvis and Bennie Lee head the line.

Lloyd Badson, who recorded 119 tackles as a sophomore, spearheads the defense with fellow linebackers Craig Jones and James Moore and talented tackle Uhuru Hamiter. Jon Jensen and punter Chuck Poplos give the Hornets the league's best kicking.

FLORIDA A&M

(5-6, 3-3) Following an immensely successful stay at NAIA powerhouse Central (OH) State, Billy Joe takes over as the new coach at FAMU. His first major task will be to infuse life into an offense that scored a league-low 26 touchdowns. But if he can do that, look out. The Rattlers return several key performers to a group that led the MEAC in total defense. Everything begins with linebackers Bruce Daniels and Earl Holmes. They find the ball often and are usually in a very bad mood when they get there, combining for over 200 tackles last fall. They'll be complemented by a pair of gifted corners, Ken Riley and Keino Taylor, and by end Rod Williams.

On offense, things aren't quite so settled. The Rattlers have been snakebitten by inconsistency at quarterback and running back for the past couple of seasons, but hope to rectify that in '94. Sophomore Ernest Cooper and junior Erick Hawkins are the front-runners at quarterback, but Joe signed three junior college performers who could push for time before things are over. Shameil Simpkins is the top returning runner and

Robert Wilson and George Terrell give FAMU good receiving targets. All-conference guard Leon Skillens also is back. One of the Rattlers' biggest offensive weapons is place-kicker Tim Camron.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN

(3-8, 1-5) Coach Cy McClaire's basketball teams at Bethune, though usually undersized, could always be counted on to play smart, hard, and disciplined. This fall, those are the characteristics he hopes the Wildcats will show on the gridiron. Bethune, which has traditionally fielded formidable passing teams, will probably structure its offense around a trio of fine receivers: wide-outs John James and Morris Nobles and tight end Devon Cole. Wilmer White and Cameron Pitts will see considerable time at running back, while Tony Hines and John Cutterhead head the line. McClaire knows that for Bethune to click offensively, one of his three or four quarterback candidates must step up and perform consistently.

The Wildcats are thinner on the defensive side. Terrence Ellis and Keith Brown are versatile players. The unit's strongest asset, though, should be the secondary. Willie Oglesby raised a lot of eyebrows in his freshman year at safety, while Eric Hudson and Mario Cooper also turned in solid performances. And if Tyrone Laster is able to cut it academically, he could be one of the league's best defensive backs in recent memory. Last year, the Wildcats played a large number of underclassmen and took their lumps, dropping seven of their last eight games. Though they didn't have the depth and size of other MEAC teams, they often displayed the character needed to win in this league. McClaire, in his second tour of duty as football coach, knows a challenging season lies ahead, but don't be surprised if the Wildcats catch a few teams trying to peek past them before the year is up.

MORGAN STATE

(3-8, 1-5) Though it hasn't necessarily been reflected in their record, the Bears have made positive strides over the past two years, fielding one of the league's potent offenses. But for them to be able to make more headway in the MEAC, coach Ricky Diggs knows the Bears can't continue to give up points as quickly as they score them. This spring, he put heavy emphasis on improving a defense which yielded over 49 points in seven of the team's 11 games. The Bears must replace All-America tackle Matthew Steeples, but return lineman Monjah Brown and a potential star in linebacker Greg Lomax. With Anthony Freeman, Jason Mitchell, Eric Johnson, and Khary Tucker, the secondary has potential. And for the first time, Diggs feels he has depth, something the Bears have lacked in years past.

On the other side of the ball, Morgan suffered the loss of several quality players but does return what is arguably the league's best receiving corps. Otis Covington, Donte Carter, Elijah Cameron, Bernard Barnes, and Chris Ursini have big-play capability. It will be the job of Michael Moore, a starter two years ago at quarterback, to get them the ball, and he'll be protected by an experienced line headed by tackles Jason Stampfer and Jeffrey Myers.

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TEXAS

The moment of truth could be at hand for the Longhorns, who have been overshadowed in recent years by SWC rival Texas A&M. With the Aggies ineligible for a bowl appearance this season, Texas finally could be in position to earn the Cotton Bowl appearance that has eluded them in the first two years of their rebuilding under coach John Mackovic. Although the Longhorns were 5-5-1 last fall, victories in four of their last six games indicated they might be coming of age.

After a record-breaking freshman season, quarterback Shea Morenz is prepared to direct an offense that averaged almost 400 yards per game a year ago. Morenz set team single-season records for most pass completions (183) and attempts (335) while throwing for 2,341 yards and 13 touchdowns. Curtis Jackson is among five running backs with game experience, while

freshmen Darrell Wilson and William Barnes will be given the opportunity to establish a presence in the Texas backfield.

Juniors Mike Adams and Lovell Pinkney return to form what could be the best pass-catching tandem in school history after combining for 99 receptions, 1,594 yards, and 12 touchdowns in '93. Adams ranked 10th in the nation in kickoff returns and 22nd in punt returns. Pinkney is another of the SWC's premier big-play threats, having caught five passes for 50 or more yards in his first two seasons. Justin McLemore and tight end Jimmy Hakes add quality depth to the receiving corps. Blake Brockermeyer, who will shift from right to left tackle this fall, leads a group of four returning starters in the line. Sophomore center Dan Neil, junior guard John Elmore, and tackle Joe Phillips join converted defensive tackle Dominic Bustamante, dominant forces for an offense that lost only two starters.

The outlook is equally bright for a talented

defense that also returns nine starters, including cornerbacks Joey Ellis and Bryant Westbrook and safety Chris Carter. Tre Thomas, a converted sophomore linebacker, will contend for the other starting role in the Longhorns' secondary. Several changes have been made at linebacker as the result of a switch to a 3-4 alignment. Defensive ends Norman Watkins, Bryan Johnson, and Patrick Hayes were tested at linebacker during spring drills and could join such hold-overs as senior Kevin Watler, Robert Reed, and Jason Reeves. Experience is an important factor in a line that features Tony Brackens, Stonie Clark, and converted tight end Thomas Baskin. Brackens led the Longhorns with 10 sacks and 23 quarterback pressures as a true freshman a year ago.

Duane Vacek returns to handle the punting chores after averaging 41 yards last season. The Longhorns will depend on redshirt freshman Philip Dawson to continue a tradition of quality place-kicking.

Mike Allen

TEXAS A&M

Pride will be about the only thing at stake for the Aggies this fall after they were sidelined by the NCAA for rules infractions involving overzealous booster activity. Although they cannot compete for the SWC title, the Aggies will try to extend their 22-game conference winning streak and improve on last year's 10-2 mark with the help of seven new assistant coaches who have joined R.C. Slocum's staff.

A wealth of talent at the skill positions has become a trademark at A&M. The tradition should continue with such standouts as quarterback Corey Pullig, running backs Rodney Thomas and Leeland McElroy, and wide receiver Brian Mitchell. In addition, the Aggies return three defensive backs from the unit that ended last season as the nation's top-ranked team against the pass. But formidable challenges must be conquered in an offensive line which lost four of five starters and a defensive front which lost all three starters and two key reserves.

Thomas led the Aggies with 996 yards rushing as a junior and will be joined in the backfield by fullback Cliff Groce. McElroy emerged as an all-purpose player as a freshman by rushing for seven touchdowns, catching four TD passes, and returning three kickoffs for scores. His 39-yard average on kickoff returns was tops in the nation. A lack of proven depth is a major concern at quarterback, since Pullig and senior Steve Emerson were the only players listed on the spring depth chart ahead of walk-on Stormy Case. James McKeehan is expected to step in at tight end and join Danny McCray, Kevin

the Most Valuable Defensive Player in the Cotton Bowl last January, changed his name to Antonio Armstrong after finishing second on the team with 73 tackles. Reggie Brown and Larry Walker are the top names on a long list of prospective candidates at linebacker. The strength of the Aggies' defense can be found in a secondary that returns cornerback Ray Mickens, free safety Junior White, and strong safety Michael Hendricks. Overall, the Aggies allowed only 116 pass completions and five touchdowns while intercepting 13 passes a year ago.

A three-way punting contest could develop among James Bennett, Sean Terry, and walk-on Bill Johnston, but the biggest question in A&M's special teams is who will handle the place-kicking. Leading candidates include Keith Waguespack, Kyle Bryant, and walk-on Manoli Venetoulis.

BAYLOR

Fielding a Cotton Bowl contender is a distinct possibility for Chuck Reedy as he begins his second season as head coach. Baylor stumbled to a 5-6 record in an injury-plagued '93, but should rebound behind a veteran defense and a reshuffled offense.



BRYAN JOHNSON *Texas*

Spring was a period of experimentation on offense for Reedy, who tinkered with a roll-out passing attack that featured the shotgun, a two-tight-end formation, and a slot-back set. Whatever level of success the Bears attain will be directly related to the progress made by sophomore quarterback Lamont Moore, junior tailback Brandell Jackson, and senior fullback Bradford Lewis. Jackson led the team with 899 yards rushing a year ago and added 357 yards on kickoff returns. The receiving corps should be improved with the return of John Stanley, Ben Bronson, Pearce Pegross, Dustin Denard, and tight end Damon Rhynes. An experienced offensive line could play a major role in Baylor's hopes for its first SWC title in more than a decade. Junior Fred Miller, a two-year starter, will be joined by fellow tackle David Davis and guard Will Davidson. John Turner is the projected center, while Hunter Hunter, Curtis Draper, and Jerome Jackson will contend for the other starting guard position.

There will be a new look to the defense this fall, but it won't have anything to do with the personnel. All 11 starters from last year's unit return to a fresh 3-4 alignment that Baylor's coaching staff has implemented in hopes of generating a more effective pass rush. Senior tackle Steve Strahan and ends Scotty Lewis and Daryl Gardener should provide the Bears with one of the top defensive fronts in the conference. A harrowing succession of injuries enabled several different players to earn starting experience at linebacker last season. Tony Tubbs, LaCurtis Jones, Robert Mason, Malcolm Hamilton, and Dean Jackson are the top candidates for the two inside linebacker positions. Contenders for the two outside spots include Phillip Kent, Chris Dull, Glenn Coy, Chad Boyd, Justin Still, and junior college transfer Gary Bandy. Injuries also took their toll in Baylor's secondary, where Chris Lewis returns for his fourth year as the starting free safety. Converted quarterback Adrian Robinson, who intercepted four passes in his last four games at strong safety, will join cornerbacks George McCullough and Kendrick Bell in trying to put added pressure on opposing receivers. Opposing quarterbacks completed 63 percent of their pass attempts against Baylor last season.

TEXAS TECH

First, the good news. Over the last two years, Texas Tech has put together the best composite SWC record of any of the seven teams eligible for the conference title this season. Now, the sobering news. The Red Raiders have brought out the hammer and nails as they prepare to undertake a huge rebuilding job on offense. Graduation dismantled the most prolific attack in school history, leaving coach Spike Dykes to de-



SHEA MORENZ *Texas*

Beirne, Chris Sanders, and Mitchell as quality receivers for a potent A&M offense. Calvin Collins has been moved from guard to center in an overhauled offensive line that lists Hunter Goodwin, Tim Vordenbaumen, Michael Cody, James Brooks, and John Richard as prime candidates for starting jobs.

The search for quality line help on defense has prompted the Aggies to move Larry Jackson and Brad Crowley from inside linebacker to end. Such newcomers as Pat Williams, Steve McKinney, David Maxwell, and Ryan Ross figure prominently in A&M's plans. Name changes also loom at linebacker, in more ways than one. Antonio Shorter,



COREY PULLIG *Texas A&M*

pend on a group of talented newcomers and an experienced defense in hopes of improving on last year's 6-6 record.

Sone Cavazos, Tony Darden, and Zebbie Lethridge have not taken a varsity snap among them, but all three will compete for the opportunity to replace Robert Hall as the Red Raiders' quarterback. Senior tailback Alton Crain, who gained 138 yards last season, is the top returning rusher. Lashon Earnest is the projected starter at fullback after rushing for six yards a year ago. Tech's inex-

perience on offense extends to the receiving corps, where Jayson Lavender is the top returnee among the wideouts after catching two passes last fall. Immediate help will be required from such junior college transfers as tailback Michael Cooley, fullback Rod Hobbs, and receiver Tony Wilson. Tight end Scott Aylor, tackle Jeff Wood, and center Scott Fitzgerald are the only returning starters on offense and all three contributed heavily in a school-record 475-yard per-game average. Added help in the line will come from Robert Rivera, Ed Hendrix, Casey Jones, and Ben Kaufman.

A defense with big-play experience controls the Red Raiders' destiny as they attempt to win their first SWC title in 35 seasons in what looms as their next-to-last chance before joining the Big Eight in 1996. Junior middle linebacker Zach Thomas set an all-time bowl record with seven tackles behind the line against Oklahoma in the John Hancock Bowl. He will be joined by inside linebacker Shawn Banks. Thomas and Banks combined for 225 tackles last year. Other stalwarts include rover Marcus Coleman and junior linebacker Anthony Armour. The secondary also returns intact with cornerbacks Cat Adams and Shawn Hurd and free safety Dwayne Bryant. Senior tackle Stephen Gaines and ends Damon

ance in more than 30 years under new coach Ken Hatfield. Rice and Texas A&M are the only SWC teams with winning records in each of the last two years. Trying to maintain the winning tradition the Owls forged under previous coach Fred Goldsmith will be the primary challenge for a team which will join the Western Athletic Conference in 1996. Historians can only hope that Hatfield, who has guided teams to bowl games in each of his last three coaching stops, can duplicate the feats of the last coach the Owls hired from Clemson. That was in 1940, when Jess Neely was named to head Rice's program. When Neely left 27 years later, he held the SWC record for career victories.

One of the first changes Hatfield made with the Owls was to install a spread-option offense. Senior quarterback Josh LaRocca and running backs Spencer George, Yoncy Edmonds, and Pat Callahan will serve as the workhorses in an offensive scheme which the Owls hope will average 40 points per game or control the ball for 40 minutes a game. To achieve those lofty goals, Rice must find capable athletes to join holdovers Chris Cooley and Bobby Gray in the offensive front. Jimmy Lee and Ed Howard give the Owls much-needed experience at wide receiver. Added help will come from Emerson Allen and tight end Clemente Torres.

One of the Owls' strong points will be a linebacking corps headed by four-year starter Emmett Waldron and juniors Joe Davis and Larry Izzo. Another plus is the return of defensive backs Bobby Dixon and Jeff Sowell and linemen Deric Rutherford and Brynton Goynes. As usual, depth will be a concern on defense, especially in the line. Potential starters will come from a group that includes sophomores Ndukwe Kalu and Jason Winship and newcomers Johnny Golden and Kevin Conrad.

Johnny Bagwell made all 35 of his extra-point attempts last season, but the Owls are in need of more booming kickoffs. Tucker Phillips returns to handle the punting after averaging 36 yards as a sophomore.

HOUSTON

While construction had begun on a state-of-the-art on-campus athletic facility, Houston was the only SWC team without a home after its fellow conference members had accepted invitations to join the Big Eight or the Western Athletic Conference. Searching for a new league affiliation, however, was secondary to securing more victories in the aftermath of last season's 1-9-1 nightmare in Kim Helton's debut as head coach. A team that had often lived by its ability to overwhelm the opposition in a sea of points found itself on the short end of scoring sprees in '93. The Cougars allowed 28 or more points in 10 games and were outscored in the first half by a cumulative 239-71. In addition to an overhaul on defense, a rebuilding project is underway for an offensive unit that has junked the once-successful run-and-shoot in favor of a conventional two-back set.

Sophomore quarterback Chuck Clements started four games a year ago. That's the extent of varsity experience in the backfield as the Cougars must find capable running backs from a list of candidates that includes

junior college transfers Bryant Henderson and Jermaine Williams. Since the offense no longer will place a hefty premium on talented wide receivers, Charles Spencer has been converted to a tight end and will contend for playing time with juco transfer Chris Herold. When the Cougars do throw the football, they'll have the luxury of veteran targets Julian Pitre, Ron Peters, Daniel Adams, and Joey Mouton. Most of the current offensive linemen were recruited as pass blockers, a skill that will take a back seat to opening gaps for running backs this fall. The only returning regulars are tackles Jimmy Herndon and Billy Milner, prompting the coaching staff to look to Dave Roberts, Mike Fuller, Jack Hansen, and Truett Akin for depth.

Any improvement on defense would be a big step forward, especially since the Cougars lost five of their top six linebackers. Likely replacements include Demond James, Chris Jones, and several incoming freshmen. The line is in considerably better shape with the return of end Marlon Fouts and tackle Eric Harrison. Free safety Thomas McGaughey, strong safety Jerome Williams, and cornerbacks Dedric Mathis and Delmonico Montgomery will patrol a secondary that was repeatedly toasted.

Trace Craft will continue to handle the place-kicking and Jason Stolt the kickoffs, but the search for a new punter is expected to continue in the fall.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN

A three-game midseason winning streak served as a highlight of the Horned Frogs' 4-7 record a year ago. Whether TCU can make a run at a first-division finish and a potential bowl bid under coach Pat Sullivan will depend largely on how much quality depth the team can muster to go along with 18 starters who return.

Although junior Max Knake holds most of TCU's single-season passing and total-offense records, he is expected to be challenged at quarterback by sophomores Chance McCarty and Keith Cordesman. Andre Davis, Jeff Godley, Derrick Cullors, Chris Jeffery, and walk-on Paul Brigrance are the leading tailback candidates, while Koi Woods, Trey Van Pelt, and Bernee Garcia are competing at fullback. Brian Collins, Ryan Tucker, Greg Harris, and Chad Avery should provide depth at tight end, but Jimmy Oliver, John Washington, Labron Cornell, Troy Williams, and Chris Brasfield are the only wide receivers on scholarship. The area of least concern is a veteran line consisting of tackles Barret Robbins and Boyd Milby, guards Bart Epperson and Chuck Wills, and center Kevin Brewer.

Developing depth throughout the secondary and the line is a priority on defense. Converted cornerback Manvel Hopes is projected as the free safety, while sophomore Geoff Stephens is his likely partner at strong safety. Charles McWilliams, Godfrey White, and Cedric Allen are the leading cornerback candidates. A hefty starting front anchored by Royal West, Brian Brooks, Chris Piland, and Vincent Pryor is a strong point, but proven reserves are scarce. Several questions must be answered at linebacker, where seniors Reggie Anderson and Mike Moulton and junior Tyrone Roy all have starting experience on the inside. Lenoy Jones and Tony



ANDRE DAVIS Texas Christian

Wickware and Byron Wright have to improve the pass rush this fall.

The kicking game will benefit from the presence of Jon Davis, who converted all 10 of his field-goal attempts from inside 38 yards. But a new punter must be found.

RICE

There were times when the most seasoned observers wouldn't have given a hoot for the Owls' chances of a winning season, let alone for contending for a bowl berth. But times are changing for a Rice program that has put together consecutive 6-5 records and will be striving for its first bowl appear-

Brown are competing for spots at outside linebacker.

Beau Stephens, a JC transfer, could handle the place-kicking and punting.

SOUTHERN METHODIST

Uphill battles have become a way of life on the Hilltop since the NCAA briefly pulled the plug on the Mustangs' football program in the mid-1980s. After falling just one victory short of a winning season two years ago,



MICK ROSSLEY Southern Methodist

SMU slumped to 2-7-2 last fall under coach Tom Rossley. Escaping the SWC cellar might be difficult unless several young players quickly adapt to critical positions.

Ramon Flanigan set a school record for quarterbacks by rushing for 462 yards as a freshman last season, only one fewer yard than team leader Kevin Shepard. Flanigan will be throwing to a talented group of receivers led by Erwin Wilburn, Brian Berry, and Mick Rossley. Flanigan and Shepard will be joined in the starting backfield by senior Jacques Smith. Experience is the biggest attribute of a line that returns tackles Tony Ned and Bryan Craig, guard Keith Chiles, and soph center Brannon Kidd.

A similar situation exists on defense, where tackle Ahmad Hayes and end Jason Evans combine to form the nucleus of what should be an improved unit. It has taken only a year for the Mustangs to transform their linebacking corps from a glaring weakness to a significant strength. Senior strongside linebacker B.J. Stankovich will be joined by sophomore Chris Bordano, juniors Craig Swann and Cagan Morgan, and redshirt freshman Wade Smith. Strong safety Rodney Watkins has developed into a leader in the secondary, where the Mustangs lack depth. Michael Arltmore, Cornell Parker, Weldon English, Jay Harvey, and Ken Neill are among the players competing for spots there this fall.

Avoiding a drop-off in the caliber of special-teams' play is a concern since the Mustangs are depending on incoming freshman Anthony Scotti to become their new punter. Ben Crosland, a transfer from North Carolina who sat out last season, could develop into a potent force as the place-kicker.

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NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

The Indians made their final season in I-AA competition a year to remember by finishing 9-3, climbing to No. 4 in the national rankings, and reaching the playoffs for the third time in four seasons. Maintaining that level of success might be difficult for new coach Ed Zaunbrecher now that Northeast Louisiana has made the long-awaited move to I-A. That challenge will be complicated because the Indians have to find a starting quarterback and replace eight starters on defense.

Raymond Philyaw, Brent Scott, and junior college transfer Larry Haney will contend for playing time at quarterback and the opportunity to throw to such experienced targets as Stepfret Williams, Kevin Washington, James Boyett, and Charles Randolph. The Indians will build their multiple-front defense around linebacker Damon Poage, cornerback Connery Wilson, strong safety Conrad Clarks, and tackle Brian Houston.

southland conference

predictions

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1. McNeese State
2. Stephen F. Austin
3. Nicholls State
4. Northwestern State
5. Sam Houston State
6. North Texas 7. Southwest Texas

● A new year might bring the same result in the Southland Conference as McNeese State prepares to defend its title and earn another playoff bid with the return of 48 lettermen from last season's nationally ranked squad. If the Cowboys falter, Stephen F. Austin might claim the league championship and earn its second consecutive playoff berth. Nicholls State could be the conference's most improved team with the addition of several talented newcomers and a secondary which returns intact.

Northwestern Louisiana, North Texas, Sam Houston State, and Southwest Texas all appear to be a year away from making a serious challenge at a first-division finish. Only seven teams will be competing for the SLC title this fall now that 1993 playoff entry Northeast Louisiana has made the jump to I-A. That number will shrink again in 1995 when North Texas takes the I-A plunge.

McNEESE STATE

If the Cowboys are to defend their SLC championship successfully under coach Bobby Keasler, they will probably have to match or surpass last year's gaudy 10-3 record. McNeese went 7-0 in conference play, climbed to No. 5 in the national rankings, and advanced to the semifinals of the I-AA playoffs while setting 17 school records.

A repeat performance is possible with the return of quarterback Kerry Joseph, running backs Henry Fields and Rusty Struppeck, and tight end Michael Warren. Joseph

passed for 1,981 yards and 20 touchdowns last fall, but he will have to team up with such new receivers as Skeet Owens, Terence Davis, Damien Joseph, and Thomas Simon this time. Veteran tackles Ronald Cherry and Marsh Buice and guard Jonathan Ashley are holdovers in the offensive line.

Free safety Zack Bronson and cornerbacks Kevin Smith and Damon Gladney provide stability for a defensive unit that led the nation last season by allowing an average of only 276 yards per game. The line should be bolstered by the presence of end Dana Scott and tackle Michael Hinton. Vincent Landrum is the Cowboys' only veteran hold-over at linebacker.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

Reaching the I-AA playoffs for the fourth time in seven years should be a realistic goal for the Lumberjacks after an 8-4 finish that left them with a No. 14 national ranking at the end of last season. Nine starters return on offense and another nine on defense for coach John Pearce, whose incoming freshman class has been rated among the best in school history.

Junior running back Leonard Harris, on a pace to become SFA's all-time rushing leader, joins option quarterback James Ritchey in one of the league's potent backfields. The Lumberjacks also have a pair of superior pass targets in Michael Pearce and Kevin Goodwin. Octus Polk, Scott Griggs, and Lee Kirk are the biggest names in a capable line. Added help on offense is expected from tight end Marcus Harper, a transfer from Pitt, and fullback Collius Norwood, a transfer from Navarro JC.

How much progress the defense makes will depend largely on linebackers Willie Mitchell, Cally Belcher, and Baron Brown. Mitchell is returning to the squad after a one-year absence. Senior tackle Chris Roberson, a three-year starter, will be joined on the front by Texas A&M transfer Charles Davis. Terrance Shaw is the most prominent returnee in the secondary.

NICHOLLS STATE

The road to respectability has been a rocky one for the Colonels, whose two conference victories last season matched their total since entering the Southland in 1991. But optimism abounds that improvement can be made on last year's 3-8 record under coach Rick Rhoades. Just how much improvement will be made likely will depend on how well an overhauled passing game blends with an experienced defense.

Quarterback was a major concern for the Colonels a year ago. Henri Ransfore, Corey Thomas, and Jonathon Terrell will compete for the responsibility of running the team's stack-I offense, which hopes to utilize veteran wingback Reggie Rogers and running back Roscoe Griffin. Finding capable receivers will be another priority. The offensive line should be a strong point with the return of Dean Buckland, Allen Catoie, Ruble En-calade, and Mike LeBlanc.

Returning starters Jared Allemand, Tedrick Henry, Darryl Pounds, and Clarence Wiggins provide a wealth of experience in a secondary that looms as the centerpiece of the defense. Pounds, a free safety, made a team-high 99 tackles for a unit that yielded

an average of 406 yards and 34 points per game. To reduce those numbers, the Colonnels will need solid performances from linebackers Brett Adams, Tyrone Houston, and Ivan Williams. Aaron Ward is the only returning starter in the line.

NORTHWESTERN STATE

A series of injuries kept the Demons from a winning record last year during a 5-6 finish under coach Sam Goodwin. Whether a championship contender is fielded this fall will depend on the progress made in the offensive and defensive lines.

Seven starters return on offense, including running back Clarence Matthews, fullback Danny Alexander, and receivers James Brock, Jared Johnston, and Mike Allen. A closely watched story line this fall will be the competition between incumbent Brad Laird and transfer Tori Williams at quarterback. Help in the line must come from a group that includes center John Dipel and highly touted junior college transfer Neal Sharkey.

Improvement must be made by a defensive unit which was shredded for an average of 392 yards and 28 points per game in '93. A simplified version of the 3-4 alignment has been installed to maximize the talents of linebackers Steve Readeaux, Marlon Ed-

with 46 catches as a junior and ranks eighth on the Bearcats' career list. Other returning starters on offense include tight end Travis Dougherty, tackle Donald Henson, center Darius Smith, guard D.J. O'Connor, and fullback Kirk Lawrence. Stacey Arrambide, who started two games last season as a redshirt freshman, is expected to compete with Texas A&M transfer Tommy Preston for the No. 1 quarterback role.

The defense should improve with the return of veteran linebackers Billy Holmes, Marc Tidwell, and Jeff Jordy and backs Era Palmer and Trey Woods. Tidwell led the team with 99 tackles as a redshirt freshman. Nose guard Elvin Massenburg anchors a line that includes ends John Solomon and Zenon Flores. Junior college transfers Eric Anderson, Duane Maynard, and David Garrett were recruited to provide some needed help in the secondary.

NORTH TEXAS

The first season for Matt Simon as the Eagles' head coach also will be the school's last before making the jump to the I-A level. Piecing together a tattered defense that allowed 33 points per game during a 4-7 season is the top priority.

The rebuilding job on defense will begin in a five-back secondary that returns veteran cornerback Lorenzo Washington and rover Benny Cherry. Added help will come from transfers Gerald Farley and Devon Johnson. Shawn Hicks, the Eagles' only returning regular at linebacker, will be joined by redshirt freshmen Russell Jones, Brett Renfro, Howard Short, and Kenneth Tatmon. The line will be anchored by Willie Hudson, Shane McLaughlin, and Stan Thomas.

Scoring points shouldn't be a concern for an offense led by quarterback Mitch Maher, fullback Stacy Anderson, and running back Cedric Cromer. The Eagles also have an abundance of quality receivers who thrive in an attack which occasionally uses four wideouts on the same play. David Brown, Corey Broadnax, Troy Redwine, and Luis Silva all return after combining for 125 receptions a year ago. Newcomers must blend with seniors Brad Smith and Greg Price to provide adequate protection in the line.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS

A search for quality linemen is underway for a program that stumbled to a 2-9 record last season under coach Jim Bob Helduser. Although 12 starters return, end Michael Thompson and tackles Chris Mantooth and Monte Lewis are the only first-team linemen back this fall.

If the Bobcats can find adequate help in their line, they might be able to generate enough offense to escape the Southland's lower division. John Hygh is being moved to wide receiver, creating an opportunity for JC transfer Jeff Lefevre to take over at quarterback. Rushing leader Donald Wilkinson adds speed in the backfield.

Strong safety Todd Siebert and linebacker Scott Swinnea are two of the top returning players on defense. Added experience comes from outside linebacker Vincente Reid and cornerback Nicolas Jack. The kicking game looms as a major plus with the return of punter Jeff Brandes and placekicker Ray Whitehead, who converted 13 of 17 field-goal attempts as a junior.

southwestern athletic conference

predictions

- southwestern athletic conference
1. Alcorn State 2. Southern
3. Grambling 4. Jackson State
5. Mississippi Valley
6. Alabama State
7. Texas Southern 8. Prairie View

With Steve McNair at the controls, Alcorn State is ready to pull the throttle on an uninterrupted title flight this fall. They were thrown off course a year ago by Southern University, which assured itself a share of the SWAC title by shooting down the high-flying Braves, 47-31, then nailed down the school's first outright conference crown since 1959 by beating archrival Grambling, 31-19, in the season finale. McNair had Heisman-like credentials in 1993 when he accounted for 3,830 yards in total offense. Only Dave Dickenson of Montana owned better numbers (3,978 yards) among I-AA quarterbacks. Southern will rely heavily on senior quarterback Eric Randall, while sophomore Kendrick Nord will direct the Grambling offense. The latter was voted SWAC Newcomer of the Year in 1993.

Jackson State is hanging its hopes on All-America running back candidate William Arnold. Alabama State finished strong last fall by going unbeaten in its final six games, but the Hornets must improve on offense before they can be considered a title contender. Mississippi Valley could better last year's 4-4-2 record if the Delta Devils get some help on defense to go with an upgraded passing attack. Texas Southern has a new head coach in Bill Thomas, who is intent on leading the Tigers to their first winning season in 24 years. Meanwhile, Prairie View would be happy simply to break into the victory column. The Panthers, who have not won a game since beating Mississippi Valley in 1989, carry a 35-game losing streak.

ALCORN STATE

(8-3, 6-1) Containing an explosive aerial attack geared around quarterback Steve McNair and wide receiver Marcus Hinton will be the chief concern for Alcorn State's opponents in 1994. McNair will be hard-pressed to match last year's performance (204 of 386 passes for 3,197 yards and 22 TDs). The versatile 6-3, 218-pound senior also rushed for a team-high 633 yards and eight TDs in winning the league's Offensive Player of the Year award. Hinton (41 catches for 807 yards and 6 TDs) also earned first-team all-SWAC honors. Coach Cardell Jones returns five other starters from the unit that led the conference in passing (302.7 yards per game), total offense (457.3) and scoring (31.5 points per game): fullback Tony Bullock, wide receiver Donald Ross, center George Graham (275), and a pair of giant linemen in Marquin Bivins (6-3, 320) and Michael Ellis (6-1, 305).

Six defensive regulars are back, headed by Allen Haynes, who led the SWAC in tack-



James Stewart

DARRYL POUNDS Nichols State

wards, and Terry Johnson, safety Tony Echols, and cornerback Don Butler. Veteran ends Joe Cummings and Jason Storm are big-play threats on a line that will have to use intensity to compensate for the lack of a big physical presence.

SAM HOUSTON STATE

Several familiar names will be on hand this fall when the Bearcats welcome 15 returning starters from the team which finished 4-7 last season under coach Ron Randleman. Five of those defeats were by seven points or less, a margin the Bearcats could reverse with the help of 42 returning lettermen and a blue-ribbon group of I-A and JC transfers.

Senior tailback Charles Harris needs only 332 yards to become the school's all-time rushing leader after he established the single-season record with 1,142 last fall. Wide receiver Blake Vincent tied a school mark

les (146). Rejoining him at linebacker are seniors Jermain Brown and Carlos Thornton, lineman Howard Mosby (245), with Malcolm Jones and Ben Carter in the secondary. Gorrie White will provide spark as a return specialist. The 175-pound speedster averaged 10.3 yards per punt, and 21.8 yards per kickoff return, his longest being a 95-yard scoring run against Howard University.

SOUTHERN

(11-1, 7-0) Pete Richardson waved a magic wand last season in leading the Jaguars to the league championship in his first year on the job. And Richardson will need to dig deep into his bag of tricks again if the Jaguars are to repeat their title run in 1994. Quarterback Eric Randall is the lone returnee in the backfield, and All-America back Sean Wallace is one of five defenders who will be sorely missed. The other key losses are free safety Jabbar Juluke, cornerback Malik Boyd, end Charles Johnson, and tackle Kevin Wilson.

All is not bleak, however. Randall, who threw for 1,892 yards and 18 TDs as a junior, will have two experienced receivers in Fred Bailey (34 catches for 459 yards and 3 TDs) and Landry Williams (21-419-5). All-SWAC guard Calvin Griffin (6-2, 285) spearheads an offensive line that figures to be stronger this season with tackles Craig Weaver (290) and Roderick Hill (6-4, 305), guard Marshall Hayes (283), and center John Jenkins (292). The linebacking corps features the talented Kenya Rounds (8 sacks) plus Earl Mackey and Isiah Shy, with the latter returning after rehabilitating a knee that he injured in the opening game last fall. Three-year starter Jerry Wilson provides leadership in the secondary. Junior Kendall Shello (285) is back on the defensive line.

Duane Fuller is an accurate place-kicker, while Kenyatta Sparks averaged a whopping 39 yards on nine kickoff returns, including a 100-yard touchdown.

GRAMBLING

(7-4, 4-3) The departure of record-setting fullback Eric Gant is a cause for concern in the Tigers' camp. But Eddie Robinson, entering his 54th season at Grambling—where he ranks as college football's all-time winningest coach (388-140-15)—will build his 52nd Tiger team (the school did not field a team for two years during World War II) around 15 returning starters.

Running backs Norman Bradford (458 yards) and Jeff Nichols (303 yards) will try to fill the shoes of Gant, who last fall became the school's all-time leading rusher (3,795 yards). Quarterback Kendrick Nord was voted the league's Newcomer of the Year in 1993 after he threw for 1,987 yards and 16 TDs. Split end Curtis Ceaser (30 catches for 753 yards and 4 TDs) and wingback Tyrone Jones (23-558-8) are quality receivers. Tackle Timmy Taylor is the lone returning starter up front. The defense features all-SWAC tackles Eric Fontenot and Albert Reese. Linebackers Mark Mosby and Keifer Phillips ranked second and third on the team in tackles. Jeffery Celestand, Roderick Mullen, and Brian Livingston are back in the secondary. Gilad Landau, a two-time Sheridan All-America, provides the Tigers with a strong kicking game.

JACKSON STATE

(5-5-1, 3-3-1) Filling the shoes of nine departed defensive starters places a heavy burden on coach James Carson, who is hoping All-America candidate William Arnold will step forward and balance the scales. The 5-10, 180-pound senior rushed for 1,082 yards and seven touchdowns last season, saving his best for last. Arnold gained 750 yards in the final three games, spicing his performance with an NCAA-record 346-yard effort against Texas Southern. Arnold's record fell the following week when Tony Vinson (Towson State) rambled for 364 yards against Bucknell.

Plugging the quarterback position could be an adventure. Senior Darrell Asberry, who has little experience, will be challenged for the starting job by redshirts Daryle Heidelberg and Grailyn Pratt, with freshman Chris Hankins also in the picture. Wide receiver La Shan Ausmer (13 catches for 301 yards and 3 TDs) is the primary passing target. Center Keith Bradshaw (285) and tackle Rayfield Adams (235) are returning starters in the line, with Kendrick Bibbs (265) and Carlos Cosby (300) moving up to join them.

Picasso Nelson owns center stage on the defensive unit. The junior free safety had a hand in 87 tackles a year ago and one of his four interceptions resulted in a touchdown. Strong safety Eric Austin also returns. Ricardo Carson and Lauren Gain are capable linebackers. Darrold Jones (255), Corwin Sledge (285), and Fredesz Moore (275) will try to shore up an inexperienced line.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

(4-4-2, 2-3-2) An improved passing game will make the Delta Devils a more explosive team as they attempt to get back on the winning track after last season's sputtering performance. Coach Larry Dorsey will build his fifth team around 13 returning regulars.

Quarterback Honoré Britton (6-5, 225) put up decent numbers (597 yards, 6 TD passes) in a back-up role last season. He'll look for wide receiver Steve Booze (23 catches for 553 yards and 9 TDs) and tight end Victor Cullen (26-351-2). David Arrington ran for a team-high 857 yards. Greg Wilson (285), Leroy Foster (280), John Collins (270), and Issac Green (260) return up front. Across the line are tackles Eddie Malone (275) and Brandon Dominick (290) with Alonzo Brown at linebacker and Burnell De-deaux at free safety. Jimmy Crawford returns to handle the punting chores, but Harmon Granderson has yet to prove himself as the place-kicker.

The schedule does not favor the Devils, who go on the road for four straight games before playing their home opener against Grambling on October 8.

ALABAMA STATE

(5-4-1, 3-3-1) The Hornets avoided a losing record last fall by going unbeaten in their final six games. But if this momentum is to carry over into 1994, coach Houston Markham must generate more punch. Although the departed Rico White rushed for a league-leading 1,272 yards, the Hornets still lagged in three offensive categories, finishing seventh in total offense (295.8 yards per game), passing (105.6) and scoring (19.0 points per game). Also among the missing is

defensive back LeCorey Harvest, who led the league in interceptions for the second straight year and ranked second on the team in tackles. White and Harvest were first-team all-conference picks.

Running backs Antonio Parker and Cyrus Smith spark the ground game. Alcide Surtain and John Feagin will compete at quarterback. Reggie Barlow should surpass last season's numbers (team-high 19 receptions for 384 yards). Paul Etheridge (6-5, 315) and Emille Stallworth (263) are solid links in the line. The linebacking is strong: André Dillard (106 tackles), Cedric Thornton, and Joe Dean. Also returning are ends Herbert Harris (264) and Ervin Garner (232) and cornerback Michael Williams. Parker lends an added dimension as a kickoff returner and Barlow is a multiple threat with an 8.7-yard punt-return average.

TEXAS SOUTHERN

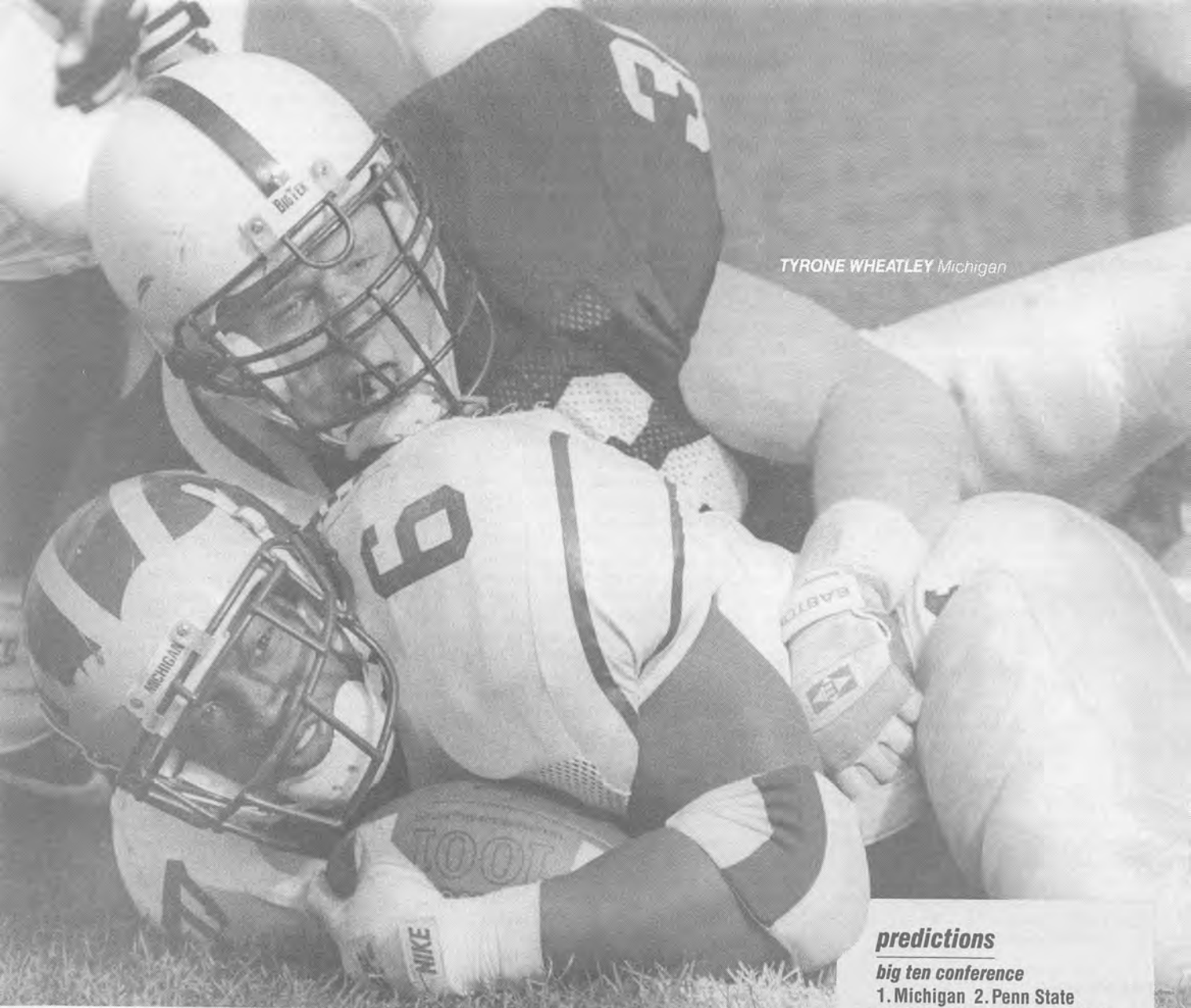
(2-9, 1-6) New coach Bill Thomas has never backed away from a challenge, which he will surely face this fall. The Tigers, with a 19-34-2 mark over the past five seasons, have not had a winning record since 1971.

Most of the key players are gone from the team that gained over 3,000 yards in total offense. But senior fullback Carnell White, the Tigers' top rusher (500 yards and 8 TDs), will spearhead a backfield that also includes sophomore speedsters Lee Jefferson and Kyle Arnell. Junior Mark Lathan and sophomore Byron Henderson are the leading quarterback candidates. Merideth Campbell, Jason Gaines, and junior T.J. Thompson are proven receivers. William Andrews (6-9, 286) is the lone returning starter in the offensive line, which will now include Marvin Smith (260) and Delroy Worrell (245). End Eric Johnson (240) will anchor the defensive line, where Keith Williams (6-7, 280) and Alfred Bryant (6-5, 240) add much needed size. Fifth-year senior Horace Williams and sophomore Ramon Manning are the featured linebackers. Kerry Lewis (team-high 68 tackles), is the top returning defensive back. Seniors Jonathan Muhammad and Terry Brooks will share the place-kicking.

PRAIRIE VIEW

(0-11, 0-7) The losses continued to pile up for the Panthers as coach Ron Beard's undermanned crew suffered through a third straight winless season, during which the Panthers were outscored by a whopping 423-77 margin. Among the 20 returning regulars are quarterback Greg Bell, wide receiver Alaric Henderson, and running back Shannon Rhea. Bell, who started as a freshman last season, threw for 679 yards and five touchdowns under heavy pressure. He was intercepted 12 times and sacked on 19 occasions. Henderson had eight catches for 185 yards and two touchdowns. Rhea rushed for a team-best 560 yards and had a dozen receptions. Seniors David Washington (286), Leonard Smith (285), and David McPherson (280) are on the line.

Kevin Garner (6-1, 319) is an imposing figure on the defensive line, where he will be rejoined by Corey Fregia (270). Linebacker Jerrold Crowder was the No. 2 tackler. Barry Robinson and Arthur Booker are steady on the corners with Walter Miller at strong safety. Torrance Brooks (5-4, 150) poses a threat on kick returns. □



TYRONE WHEATLEY Michigan

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MICHIGAN

(8-4, 5-3) Not only are the Wolverines loaded, they also have some incentive. For the first time since 1988, Michigan is not the defending Big Ten champion. That should give coach Gary Moeller plenty of motivation to throw at his players. The Wolverines might have been the best team in the country at the end of last season. If not the best, then certainly they were a team nobody wanted to play. Just ask Ohio State, which lost, 28-0, to Michigan in the regular-season finale, or North Carolina State, which fell, 42-7, in the Hall of Fame Bowl. By the end of the year, the Wolverines got all of their injured players back and several of their young players in key positions began to develop and mature.

The majority of those players are coming back for 1994, which makes the Wolverines the favorite for the Big Ten title.

The biggest returnee is senior running back Tyrone Wheatley. If Wheatley had departed after his junior year, he might have been the first pick in the National Football League draft. Wheatley, though, liked college, and now ranks as a prime contender for the Heisman Trophy. The 6-1, 226-pound back rushed for 1,129 yards and 13 touchdowns in just 10 games last fall. Che' Foster and Jon Ritchie complement him at fullback. Todd Collins provides experience at quarterback. He threw for 2,509 yards and 17 touchdowns in '93. Collins lost prime receiving threat Derrick Alexander to the NFL, but the Wolverines still have some of the nation's best in Walter Smith, Amani Toomer, and

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Mercury Hayes. The biggest difference in the Wolverines should be in the offensive line. This year, it should be experienced. Guards Jon Runyan and Joe Marinaro head the group.

Defensively, the Wolverines will be led by linebackers Matt Dyson and Steve Morrison. Slowed by injuries last year, they will provide a big lift if they return healthy. Up front, Jason Horn and Tony Henderson handle middle guard. Moeller is looking for someone to step into the leadership role filled previously by last year's captain, Buster Stanley. Ty Law returns at cornerback and Chuck Winters at strong safety.

Once again, the schedule is imposing. The nonconference slate includes Boston

College, Notre Dame, and Colorado, easily one of the toughest in the country. And the Wolverines don't get to play Northwestern. Still, they should be back to form in 1994.

PENN STATE

(10-2, 6-2) The Nittany Lions didn't come into the Big Ten and run away with the title, as many people thought they would. But they still enjoyed a successful season, thanks to a rousing 31-13 victory over Tennessee in the Citrus Bowl. That should give them some momentum going into 1994.

Coach Joe Paterno's squad should be well-stocked, especially on offense. It starts with quarterback Kerry Collins, who improved steadily after gaining the starting job midway through the season. The Nittany Lions averaged 37.3 points in their last three victories. Collins is backed up by Wally Richardson and Mike McQueary. Running back Ki-Jana Carter lived up to his potential in 1993, rushing for 1,026 yards and seven touchdowns in eight games. However, he missed most of the last games with swelling in the knee. Mike Archie also contributed at tailback, running for 766 yards and six TDs. Through the air, the Nittany Lions have a dangerous threat in receiver Bobby Engram. The Citrus Bowl MVP overcame personal troubles and had an outstanding season with 13 touchdowns. Tight end Kyle Brady, with 26 receptions, was recognized as an all-Big Ten selection. The line lost mainstays Mike Malinoski and Derick Pickett but returns center Bucky Greeley, guard Jeff Hartings, and tackles Marco Rivera and Andre Johnson.



MIKE ARCHIE Penn State

Defensively, the Nittany Lions will miss Lou Benfatti and Tyoka Jackson, leaving the bulk of the duties to linebacker Brian Gelzeiser. He led the unit with 113 tackles to earn second-team all-league honors. Gelzeiser, however, underwent ankle surgery after the season and did not participate in spring drills. Eric Clair is the lone returning starter up front, and Paterno is hoping for contributions from Vin Stewart, Jeff Perry, and Dave Thomas. The secondary lost three regulars, but Paterno feels he has ample

depth and experience to pick up any slack. Cornerbacks Marlon Forbes and Tony Pittman (15 interceptions) will carry the load.

If the pieces fall into place, the Nittany Lions could help Paterno fulfill his dream of going to the Rose Bowl. A victory would be quite a story since Paterno, with 15 bowl victories, is tied with Paul Bryant for the all-time lead. Paterno would love for No. 16 to take place in Pasadena.

WISCONSIN

(10-1-1, 6-6-1) The Badgers did it once. Now can they do it again? That's the big question in the Big Ten going into the 1994 season. Wisconsin was last year's Cinderella story. Now the Badgers are one of the teams to beat. That has its disadvantages. They won't be able to sneak up on anybody this time. But on the plus side, the Badgers won't have to convince anybody that they are for real.

On paper, Wisconsin should be even better in 1994, with 15 returning starters from the winningest team in school history. Talent abounds everywhere, starting at running

TODD COLLINS Michigan



back. Brent Moss, the Big Ten and Rose Bowl MVP, bypassed a chance at the pros to play his senior season. Moss was the nation's leading rusher (1,637 yards), but he's just the start of the running attack. Coach Barry Alvarez has the luxury of platooning Moss with Terrell Fletcher, who merely ran for 996 yards, averaging 6.0 yards per carry. The duo was easily the best 1-2 punch in the nation. Both players will once again start behind a stellar line. Center Cory Raymer might be the best in the country at his position. The Badgers also can move through the air. Quarterback Darrell Bevell emerged last fall, finishing as the No. 3-rated passer in I-A en route to breaking 10 school records. He has big-play targets in Lee DeRamus, who had 920 yards receiving in '93, and J.C. Dawkins (36 receptions).

Defense remains Alvarez's forte. Last season, the Badgers gave up only 130 yards per game on the ground. Alvarez's biggest concern is trying to replace defensive linemen Lamar Shackerford and Carlos Fowler. Much of the burden will fall on senior tackle Mike Thompson, who led the conference in sacks in '93. Eric Unverzagt is the top return-

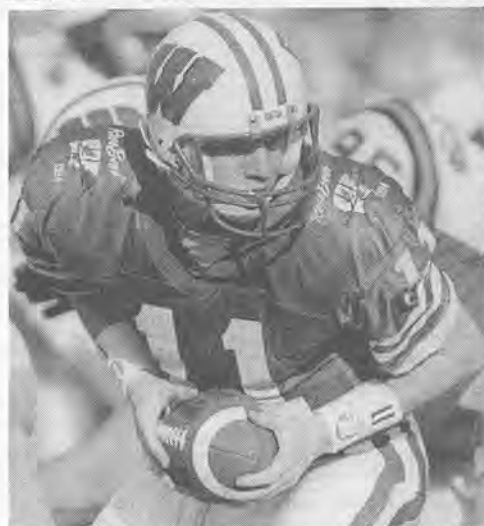
ing linebacker. Senior Jeff Messenger led the Big Ten in interceptions at cornerback, but he could see time at free safety this fall. Former JC teammates Kenny Gales and Donny Brady will start at cornerback.

The Badgers should be improved, but the schedule will be much tougher. There is a non-league game at Colorado and back-to-back games at Michigan and Ohio State. Last year those critical Big Ten meetings were at home.

MICHIGAN STATE

(6-6, 4-4) After a few subpar seasons, the pressure is on George Perles in East Lansing. The Spartans improved to 6-6 last fall but suffered an 18-7 loss to Louisville in the Liberty Bowl.

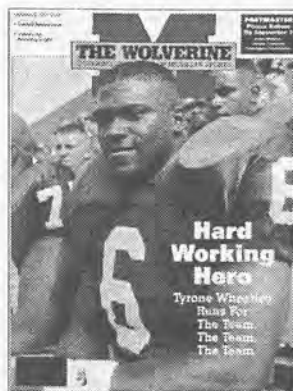
KI-JANA CARTER Penn State



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But 1994 is a new year, and the Spartans could be ready to make a significant jump. They return 14 starters and welcome one key addition: Hank Bullough, the new defensive coordinator. Bullough has changed Michigan State to a 3-4 alignment, and the unit looked rejuvenated during spring drills. Sophomore linebacker Reggie Garnett earned Big Ten freshman of the year honors and can only get better. Senior Matt Christensen will work at strong-side linebacker. Perles has some holes to fill in the second-

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ary, where help could come from top recruit Amp Campbell, a high school All-America cornerback from Sarasota. End Juan Hammonds heads the line.

Offensively, the Spartans should be potent despite losing quarterback Jim Miller. They averaged 23.1 points per game, thanks in part to a line they feel ranks among the best in the country. Senior tackle Shane Hannah and center Mark Birchmeier are All-America candidates. The Spartans think they have a replacement for Miller in junior college transfer Tony Banks. At 6-6, 220 pounds, Banks is drawing comparisons to Randall Cunningham for his mobility and his strong arm. Duane Goulbourne (973 yards) will be back at tailback. Senior Mill Coleman (48 catches) is the big-play threat at receiver.

The Spartans' fate in the Big Ten will be determined early. They open the conference season with three straight games against Wisconsin, Michigan, and Ohio State.



MILL COLEMAN Michigan State

OHIO STATE

(10-1-1, 6-1-1) John Cooper had his best year in Columbus, and still the heat was as intense as ever. Not only didn't Cooper get the Buckeyes to Pasadena, he also failed to beat Michigan for the sixth straight time. Cooper will be on the hot seat again in 1994. It could be a critical year for the coach, who never seems to get that vote of confidence. The situation might have been better if All-America defensive tackle Dan Wilkinson had remained for his junior year. Still, the Buckeyes have some big-name talent.

The offense begins with receiver Joey Galloway. Finally shedding injuries that dogged him during his first two years, Galloway emerged in 1993 with 47 receptions and 11 touchdowns. He averaged 20.1 yards per catch. The Buckeyes also have offensive tackle Korey Stringer (6-6, 310). He made several All-America teams as a sophomore and has a chance to pick up some big national awards this fall. He will be blocking for quarterback Bob Hoying, who completed 109 passes for 1,570 yards in his first year as a starter. The biggest holes will be in the backfield, for the Buckeyes must replace Raymont Harris, who rushed for 1,344 yards and 12 touchdowns a year ago. Junior Eddie George figures to get his shot at tailback. Ohio State also must find a replacement for fullback Jeff Cothran.

The Buckeyes still should be strong defensively. The unit will be led by middle linebacker Lorenzo Styles, who had a team-high 117 tackles and was the defensive MVP in the Holiday Bowl. Swift outside linebacker Craig Powell, who runs a 4.5 in the 40, should have a big year. The secondary will be keyed by Marlon Kerner, who had a 100-yard touchdown return off an interception against Purdue.

Cooper is 18-4-2 the last two years, which would be more than good enough at most places. But this is Ohio State, meaning the pressure will be on again.

ILLINOIS

(5-6, 5-3) The Illini are trying to bounce back after failing to go to a bowl game for the first time since 1987. They had a strange season, losing their first three games, splitting two, then winning four in a row, including a big victory at Michigan, before closing out the year with two straight losses. They could follow the same trend this year. The Illini loom as the Big Ten's mystery team: capable of making a run for the title or of being an also-ran.

Coach Lou Tepper is optimistic over the return of 18 starters, including several keys on defense. He might have the best set of linebackers in the country. Senior Dana Howard bypassed the pros for a chance to

JOE RUDOLPH Wisconsin



REGGIE GARNETT Michigan State



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win the Butkus Award. He should be a leading candidate. The Illini also are pushing for All-America status for Simeon Rice and John Holecek. Drop linebacker Kevin Hardy is another standout. Up front, Tepper is looking to nose guard Mikki Johnson, whom he compares favorably to former Illini great Moe Gardner. Tim McCloud and Chad Copher will be the tackles. The entire secondary is back, including safety Tyrone Washington, last year's third-leading tackler.

Illinois probably will go as far as its offense will take it. The key player is quarterback Johnny Johnson, who became the starter at midseason and threw for 1,688 yards and 11 touchdowns. Johnson, though, will be pushed by redshirt freshman Jeff Hecklinski. The Illini need a big year from sophomore running back Ty Douthard. He became the first freshman in 49 years to lead the team in rushing (599 yards). The biggest question mark is the offensive line, where guards Derek Allen and Jon Kerr are the lone returning starters.

The schedule is favorable. The Illini play six of their first seven games at home.

BOBBY HOYING *Ohio State*



KEVIN HARDY *Illinois*



IOWA

(6-6, 3-5) The Hawkeyes, like the Illini, had an unusual fall. They opened the season with two victories, followed that with five straight defeats, and finished by winning four in a row. The season, though, finally burned in the Alamo Bowl, where Iowa was blitzed, 37-3, by California. It wasn't the kind of year typically enjoyed by coach Hayden Fry. He is looking for much more in 1994.

The Hawkeyes will need major improvement on offense, which ranked last in the Big Ten in scoring and total offense a year ago—remarkable for a Fry team. Iowa has to settle on a quarterback, and the job should be wide open going into fall drills. Sophomore Ryan Driscoll is the top candidate, but he will be pushed by Matt Sherman and Mike Duprey. There are capable targets in Harold Jasper (38 receptions for 641 yards) and Anthony Dean (29-408). Scott Slutzker (29 catches) is back at tight end. At tailback, senior Ryan Terry and soph Sedrick Shaw, who rushed for a combined 1,225 yards in 1993, will share the job again. Guard Matt Purdy is the anchor on the line.

Defensively, the Hawkeyes will miss tackle Mike Wells, who set school records for quarterback sacks. Chris Webb and Parker Wildeman have to take up any slack up front. The linebacker corps also was depleted, putting pressure on John Hartlieb and Bobby Diaco to step forward. Free safety Bo Porter and cornerback Damien Robinson head the secondary. Punter Nick Gallery should be a plus after averaging 41.7 yards.

INDIANA

(8-4, 5-3) Bill Mallory did it once more: He took an unheralded Hoosier team into a bowl game. But can he do it again? The odds will be against him because he lost 13 starters, including Thomas Lewis, who left school early and wound up as a first-round draft pick of the New York Giants.

Mallory will be counting on a lot of his players. One to watch is redshirt freshman Alex Smith. He looked impressive during the spring and could key the Indiana running

RYAN TERRY *Iowa*



game. Jermaine Chaney returns after gaining 716 yards last fall. The quarterback situation is muddled. Last year's starter, John Paci, missed the spring recovering from shoulder surgery. That left Chris Dittoe to run the offense. There's a chance Mallory might let both players guide the Hoosiers in a platoon-like situation. At receiver, the quarterbacks will look to Eddie Baety and Eric Matthews with redshirt freshman Brian Bruner waiting in the wings.

Defensively, Mallory also has to find some experience. The only full-time returning regulars are tackle Troy Drake and linebacker Alfonso Thurman, the school's leading tackler the last two years. Drake and tackle John Hammerstein will anchor the front line. Part-time starters Trevor Wilmot, a linebacker, and safety Lance Brown need to emerge for the Hoosiers. The kicking game will be an Indiana strength. All-Big Ten punter Jim DiGuilo averaged 44.3 yards and Bill Manolopoulos converted 16 of 22 field goals.

MINNESOTA

(4-7, 3-5) The Gophers improved last season, and it could have been better. They lost three games by five points or less in the last minute of play and pulled the year's biggest upset, beating Wisconsin.

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Coach Jim Wacker is looking for another jump in 1994. Once again, he will use a wide-open offense. The race for the starting quarterback job should be interesting. Tim Schade began last fall as No. 1, but Scott Eckers came on to lead Minnesota to a three-game winning streak. However, neither one might start. Wacker is high on red-shirt freshman Cory Sauter. The leading rusher, Chris Darkins, missed spring practice recovering from wrist surgery. That opened the door for sophomore tailback Tommy Watson, who had a great spring.



LEWIS GARRISON Minnesota

The Gophers have to find a replacement for star receiver Omar Douglas. Among the candidates are seniors Aaron Osterman and Lewis Garrison. Tackle David Vertin and guard Rick Thome anchor the left side of the line, but replacements must be found for Robert Rogers and Neil Fredenburg.

The defense will have to improve if the Gophers are going to move up in the standings. Last year, they were last in the conference, giving up an average of 31.9 points per game. Tackle Ed Hawthorne is the key player on the line and Craig Sauer will have to step up to help a depleted linebacker corps. Wacker is concerned about the lack of game experience at linebacker, but he hopes speed will compensate to make for a stronger unit.

NORTHWESTERN

(2-9, 0-8) After playing a tough game against Notre Dame and then defeating Boston College and Wake Forest to open the season, the Wildcats thought they had turned the corner last fall. But then injuries set in to give Northwestern another nightmarish season in the Big Ten.

Coach Gary Barnett is optimistic, but any significant improvement will be predicated on the development of several key players. Quarterback is a case in point. Last year's starter, Len Williams has graduated. In spring drills, nobody asserted himself to assume control of the job, although Steve Schnur has the inside track. Barnett, however, isn't ruling out using true freshman Lloyd Abramson or D'Wayne Bates as his starter. Barnett said he had as much respect for Abramson as Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz

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had last year for the Irish's highly touted freshman, Ron Powlus. Dennis Lundy will be back at tailback, but he will operate behind a revamped offensive line. Standout tackle Matt O'Dwyer moved to guard and will team on the same side with tackle Todd Baczek in an effort to boost the rushing attack. Mike Senters and Chris Gamble are capable receivers.

The Wildcats need to step up defensively, but they might not have enough players. Barnett likes his secondary, led by safety William Bennett. He also has high expectations for cornerbacks Chris Martin and Rodney Ray. The Wildcats, though, are thin at linebacker following the graduation of Steve Shine, who was drafted by the Cincinnati Bengals. Possible replacements Mike Warren and Mike Giometti sat out the spring with injuries. The line registered only one sack last year, so Barnett obviously is looking for some improvement there.

PURDUE

(1-10, 0-8) The Boilermakers hit ground zero last fall. Disgruntled fans started to put pressure on coach Jim Colletto, who still has two years left on his contract. This, however, will be a critical season for him.

Injuries and youth doomed Purdue last year. If the Boilermakers can avoid the inju-

ries, and some of the younger players come through, they might be able to pump some enthusiasm back into Ross-Ade Stadium. At quarterback, Matt Pike and the left-handed Rick Trefzger split time last fall and are back for another season. Colletto has some talent if not a lot of depth in the backfield. Fullback Mike Alstott (816 yards) was Purdue's Most Valuable Player as a sophomore and tailback Corey Rogers gained 746 yards. The receivers are headed by Burt Thornton, a converted quarterback. The line should be deep with five returning starters.

Colletto believes his linebackers should be the strength of the defense. Juniors Bart Conley and Aaron Hall could be among the best inside linebackers in the Big Ten. Jayme Washel heads a maturing line, and cornerback John Jackson keys what could be a young and vulnerable secondary.

LEE BECTON Notre Dame



NOTRE DAME

(11-1) Most teams wouldn't be able to lose 10 players who were drafted by the NFL and still be able to call themselves a contender for the national championship. But then, Notre Dame never has been most teams. The Irish have simply reloaded and are out to grab the No. 1 spot that eluded them last fall. They beat Florida State but didn't get the job done against Boston College.

Despite all the losses of personnel, the Irish have plenty of players. The Ron Powlus era—provided the highly touted quarterback is injury-free—is about to begin. Powlus was supposed to be the starter as a freshman, but he broke his collarbone. He participated in spring drills without contact. If he's healthy, Powlus seems to possess all the tools that could make him the next Irish legend. Once again, coach Lou Holtz will have his choice of tailbacks. Lee Becton (1,044 yards rushing) had an outstanding year, while Robert Farmer and Randy Kinder looked impressive as freshmen. Ray Zellars returns as fullback. Holtz has capable receivers in Derrick Mayes and Michael Miller, and Oscar McBride will see time at tight end. The offensive line lost Aaron Taylor and Tim Ruddy, leaving guard Mark Zlatavski and tackle Ryan Leahy as the anchors.

Defensively, the Irish lost two first-round draft picks in nose guard Bryant Young and safety Jeff Burris. Nobody, though, will be crying for Holtz. The Irish's front line returns nose guard Oliver Gibson and end Brian Hamilton. The linebacker corps will be young but talented. Outside linebacker Bert Berry has potential and Renaldo Wynn had a good spring. Cornerback Bobby Taylor made several All-America teams as a sophomore and is a candidate for the Jim Thorpe Award as the top defensive back in the

Bill Panzica



BOBBY TAYLOR Notre Dame



MICHAEL MILLER
Notre Dame

country. Molding the unit will be new defensive coordinator Bob Davie, who comes over from Texas A&M. Holtz has to work in four new assistant coaches.

Two games stand out on the schedule: a trip to Boston College and a November 12 game against Florida State in Orlando. The Irish won't have any trouble getting up for either rematch.

CINCINNATI

(8-3) New coach Rick Minter walks into a program on the upswing. The Bearcats posted their best season in two decades, and with eight starters returning, the prospects look good for the former Notre Dame defensive coordinator. The biggest challenge will be with a defense that lost seven starters. Minter plans to shift to a 4-3 from a 3-4 to help ease those losses. Ernest Allen and Dorian Adams are the key returnees on the line. Senior Reggie Hudson will be counted on at linebacker.

Offensively, Minter likes to operate a ball-control attack, and he appears to have the players to do it. Junior Eric Vibberts, who saw action as a backup, will vie for the No. 1 quarterback job with junior college transfer Todd Preston. The line is experienced and sound. Leading the way are Matt Vaupel and Rick Simons. Eric Patterson and Paul Blackwood will share fullback, while Craedel Kimbrough and Darrell Harding will try to fill the void left by David Small, who rushed for 1,179 yards and 17 TDs last fall.

YOUNGSTOWN STATE

(13-2) The beat goes on at Youngstown State, which beat 13 opponents last fall and ran its four-year record to 47-9-1, making the Penguins the winningest team of the '90s. Among the victories are two in the Division I-AA championship game, both over Marshall (in 1991 and '93), which defeated Youngstown State in 1992 for the title.

If the Penguins are to match the accomplishment set by Eastern Kentucky in 1979-82 and return to the finals for a fourth straight time, coach Jim Tressel will first have to replace a major part of his offense. Gone are running backs Tamron Smith (the school's all-time leading rusher: 4,866 yards) and Darnell Clark, who combined for 2,599 yards on the ground a year ago, and place-kicker Jeff Wilkins, who tops the Penguins' career scoring chart (373 points). Junior quarterback Mark Brungard, who completed 58 percent of his passes for 1,504 yards and seven touchdowns, is back, as are receivers Don Zwisler and Trent Boykin, who had 62 catches between them for 911 yards. Four starting offensive linemen return: seniors Chris Sammarone, Paul Kokos, Ray Miller, and George Tomasch. That will help ease soph running back Charles Perdue (392 yards) into the picture.

Junior linebacker and All-America candidate Leon Jones heads a cast of nine defensive starters back. He rejoins senior Reggie Lee on the inside and sophomore Andre Jethroe and junior Paul Conn on the line. The senior secondary returns intact: Reggie Brown, Vance Mayes, Randy Smith, and Lester Weaver.

The Penguins open defense of their title at home against Stephen F. Austin, one of two schools to defeat them in '93.

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Western Michigan is loaded with depth, experience, and high hopes after a second-place finish in 1993. Eighth-year coach Al Molde keeps 45 of his 53 lettermen, including 18 starters from a 7-3-1 team that finished a game behind Ball State. Molde also has a touted group of redshirt freshmen who are expected to push his veterans. The Broncos' primary losses were defensive backs Steve Hawkins and Pierre Hixon and offensive tackle Jason Biddle. Ball State, 8-3-1 after a loss to Utah State in the Las Vegas Bowl, has 14 regulars back, including seven from the offense that ranked second in scoring in the MAC.

WESTERN MICHIGAN

Quarterback Jay McDonagh threw for 16 touchdowns while completing 61 percent of his passes, a school record, and is one of 10 returning starters on offense. The multi-dimensional Broncos also are strong at tail-

DELAND McCULLOUGH Miami



Wayne Doebling

all-MAC Dion Powell, fellow tackle Matt Sikora, and ends Rich Kaiser and Tony Tiefenbach—plus inside linebacker Peter Tuffo. The secondary must be rebuilt around Tristan Moss, Marcus Wagstaff, Vern Brown, and Robert Forrest. Place-kicker Kevin Knope and punter Byron Hammons return.

BOWLING GREEN

Bowling Green had a two-year run of championships snapped last year, but with 15 returning starters is ready for another run at the title. The strength is linebacker Vince Palko, the MAC Defensive Player of the Year. By averaging 13 tackles a game, including a league-high 19 for losses, Palko helped the defense lead the league in three categories. Other returnees from that unit are backs George Johnson, Steve Rodriguez, and Shane Foster and linebackers Jason Woullard and Chache Leal.

The Falcons enjoyed a four-week stretch when they averaged 36 points a game, and most of the offense remains intact. Ryan Henry is back at quarterback after passing for 2,243 yards, but he hopes to cut back on

KEVIN JOHNSON Ball State



BRIAN OLIVER Ball State



back, where Jim Vackaro and Dave Madsen combined for 1,111 yards rushing and 588 receiving. Vackaro and Madsen were among seven Broncos who caught 19 or more passes, led by Andre Wallace's 55. Other veteran wide receivers are Larry Johnson, Elan Banks, and William Atwater. Bronson Trebbi is set at tight end. Tom Nutten (280) moves to tackle from guard after playing center in 1992. Harry Petaway, a 300-pounder, moves across the line from defense to join him and Joel Frederickson and Matt Riordan.

Western Michigan had the MAC's No. 2 defense and retains its starting linemen—

his nine interceptions and improve his 49 percent completion mark. Zeb Jackson departed as the MAC's top rusher (952 yards), but Courtney Davis had 298 in limited service. There is plenty of talent at wide receiver, where Rameir Martin made 56 catches and Ronnie Redd averaged 20 yards on his 30 catches. Fullback Darius Card ran for 167 yards and caught 33 passes.

BALL STATE

The loss of quarterback Mike Neu, the MAC's Player of the Year, poses a challenge

PETER TUFFO *Western Michigan*



for the defending conference champions. Neu is Ball State's career leader in four categories, including completion percentage (.597). The Cardinals also will miss three starting offensive linemen: tackles Jose Munoz and Mike McClain and guard Lance Wil-doner. Still, coach Paul Schudel claims 14 returning starters from an 8-3-1 team that went 7-0-1 in the MAC. Ball State, which didn't allow a touchdown in the final 15 quarters of the regular season, retains linebacker Kevin Johnson, who lead the MAC with 18½ tackles per game. Other veterans on defense include tackle Jermaine Daniels, who had 10 tackles for losses, ends Jack Hawthorth and Scott Kruger, tackle Derrick Walker, outside linebacker Aaron Gralak, and cornerback Jacob Goldwire.

Tony Nibbs and Mike Blair give Ball State a solid running game and Brian Oliver and Ted Freeman were all-MAC receivers. Center Mike Freel and tackle Andy Berry started every game. Neu's successor will be picked from among third-year sophomores Brent Baldwin and Matt Knisely and redshirt freshman Joe Reedy. The Cardinals face a rough nonconference schedule with games at West Virginia and Purdue.

MIAMI

Injuries at the skill positions in 1993 weakened Miami, which struggled offensively and finished with an unexpected 4-7 record. But coach Randy Walker returns quarterback Neil Dougherty plus 12 other starters and both kickers. After a solid sophomore



BRIAN PRUITT *Central Michigan*

season in 1992, Dougherty already had thrown four touchdown passes before breaking his thumb in the second game a year ago. Two weeks later, Wince Morris's shoulder injury ended his season and true freshman Danny Smith started six of the next seven games. Smith directed the victories over Toledo and Central Michigan but is ticketed for backup duty this fall. Jeremy Patterson had 30 catches and Deland McCullough and Terry Carter combined to



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rush for 1,189 yards. Center Jeff Chabot is the hub of an offensive line that includes Bobby Johnson.

The defense is built around three-year starter Bill Atha at tackle, linebacker Johnnie Williams, end Jason Phillips, and backs David Thomas and Marius Douglas. Punter Gary Layton, who averaged 42 yards, and place-kicker Chad Seitz were all-conference. The Redskins face a tough baptism this season by opening against MAC favorite Western Michigan before a nonconference game at Indiana. Two weeks later, they travel to Michigan State.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN

New coach Dick Flynn, who moves up from an assistant's role, replaces the winningest coach in MAC history, Herb Deromedi (110-56-10), who is now the athletic director. After 27 straight non-losing seasons, Central Michigan posted back-to-back 5-6 records, which were blamed on defensive shortcomings. The Chippewas, who led the MAC in defense six times in the past 16 seasons, were next to last in total defense (382 yards per game) and last against the run. All the starters are back on the unit except all-MAC outside linebacker Mike Kyler and his running mate, Chris Castle. The line keeps Randy Danison, Dustin Preston, and Chad Preston; Brandon Bruce and Odis Jones return at inside linebacker and Tim Banks, Malcolm Thomas, Chad Murphy, and Quincy Wright in the secondary.

Quarterback Joe Youngblood must be replaced on the offense that led the MAC (423 yards per game), but senior Erik Timpf stands ready after completing 16 of 26 passes and running for 147 yards against Michigan State. Brian Pruitt rushed for 944 yards and Eric Johnson for 518. Jeremy Dunlap and Chad Koetje are established tight ends but vacancies exit at wide receiver. Veterans in the line are Scott Rehberg, Chris O'Brien, Matt Nastally, and Brock Guierrez.

EASTERN MICHIGAN

First-year coach Ron Cooper improved the Eagles' record from 1-10 in 1992 to 4-7 and believes many of the growing pains are over. "The players are much more accustomed to what we expect from them. They know more about our philosophy on both sides of the ball," he said. The major shortcoming last season was depth, but this fall there are 45 returning lettermen, including eight starters on defense and seven on offense. "We had a strong run through the middle of the season, but we were hurt by injuries and didn't have a strong backup at every spot," said the 33-year-old Cooper.

End Yusef Dibbles is the kingpin of the defense, which includes tackle Shawn Williams, linebackers Reese McCaskill and Wardell Davis, and backs Maurice Reed, Vashone Adams, and Ron Rice. Michael Armour returns at quarterback and his backup, Dayna Hall, has been moved to wide receiver, as has tailback Stephen Whitfield. Melvin Greene, slowed by a knee injury, ran for 488 yards. Wide receiver Steve Clay led the MAC in kickoff returns with a 31-yard average and returned one 95 yards for a touchdown. Tackles Matt Gillette and Barry Stokes head a line that also returns guard

Leon Jefferson, center Kevin Beverly, and tight end Ryan Wheatley. Sophomore Wes Garner should be one of the conference's better punters.

TOLEDO

The Rockets' traditionally strong running game should return to form with the return of Casey McBeth, an all-MAC tailback in '92 and a medical redshirt after he injured a knee in the third game. When Terrence Mays and Troy Parker also were sidelined, freshman Wasean Tait took over and averaged 94 yards per game. Guards Chadd Dehn and Charlie Webb and center Pete Stone should give the runners some decent holes. Scott Brunswick's 41 receptions indicate strength at receiver, where Tom Boyd had 22 catches. Ryan Huzjak and Tim Kubiak shared quarterbacking duties as freshmen and combined to complete 50 percent of their passes. They threw for 13 touchdowns, but had 14 interceptions.

After leading the MAC in defense in 1992, the Rockets yielded 27 or more points seven times. They finished the season with eight freshmen in the two-deep lineup, including Matt Riesen, who had nine tackles for losses despite missing four games. Bo Reichart joins Riesen in the line, where Terry Jackson and Maurice Bulls will be missed. Middle linebacker Jim Gant, the leading tackler, also is gone, but Aristotle Wilson and John Formentin solidify the unit. Jamal Belt is the most experienced defensive back.

OHIO

The Bobcats mark their 100th season of football with a road opener at Pittsburgh fol-



SAM VINK Ohio University

lowed by a home game against Las Vegas Bowl champion Utah State. Fifth-year coach Tom Lichtenberg has 16 returning starters with a goal of improving on a 4-7 record. Ohio won four of its last five, which included a 34-28 loss to Western Michigan. "I think we found out how to win and what it takes to win," Lichtenberg said. "This is the first time during my tenure that we are coming into a

season with starters at every position and an attitude of confidence."

The defensive leader is a third-year starter, safety Damiso Johnson. He'll join Marcus Gamblin and Tim Norviel in the secondary. Benny King and Jabaar Thompson have two years' experience at inside linebacker. "It takes five years to build a good defense. We have done it in three," coordinator Nick Toth said. Sam Vink is the quarterback after sharing time with the departed D.R. Robinson,

TED DRAPER Akron



Jeff Harwell



Liz Brandt

CHARLIE WEBB Toledo

and Lakarlos Townsend will take over as the No. 1 tailback after running for 553 yards in a limited role.

AKRON

Coach Gerry Faust, who begins his ninth season in Akron, will profit from better health and some good luck. Twenty players suffered season-ending injuries in 1993 as the Zips went 5-6 overall and 4-4 in the conference. Akron led the MAC in rushing offense at 191 yards per game but was eighth in passing offense. The ground game features running back Darrien Gouch and fullback Symeon Floyd. The versatile Marcel Weems must be replaced at quarterback and Matt Kaulig, who directed the Zips to a season-closing victory over Cincinnati, has the in-



DARRIEN GOUCH Akron

side track. Sophomore Mike Junko and red-shirt freshman Darrell White stand in the wings. A veteran offensive line features Eric Agosti, Mike Lyons, Matt Rose, Ed Badinghaus, and John Thomas.

Linebacker Phil Dunn, who had 174 tackles (including 98 unassisted), spearheads a defense that needs reworking. Safety Lance Cash, cornerback Ted Draper, and middle guard Morris Cosey are the only other returning starters. Akron will play all nine Mid-America teams for the first time since joining the conference in 1992.

KENT

Jim Corrigan, who played at Kent 25 years ago and starred for 11 seasons with the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League (He is a member of the CFL Hall of Fame), takes over as coach of his alma mater, the first Kent alumnus to coach the football program since Merle Wagoner (1925-32). He inherits a team that finished 0-11, which ran its five-year record to 5-50, and will attempt to instill interest in a program that drew less than 7,000 for each home

MIKE JONES TRACY RUSSELL Tennessee Tech



game, including just 2,025 to a late-season clash with Miami of Ohio.

The Golden Flashes gave up an average of 32 points per game, but showed some glimmer of hope with three straight midseason defeats by six points or less. All-MAC linebacker Rich Yurkiewicz returns, as do defensive back Vance Benton (following reconstructive knee surgery) and linebacker Jon Durkos, who sat out half the season with a neck injury. The offense must replace two of the top three rushers, Raeshuan Jernigan and Mike Acie, who accounted for 999 yards. Fullback Omar Williams ran for 143. Corrigan hopes center Craig Peeps is healthy after an injury-checked career.

ohio valley conference

predictions

ohio valley conference

1. Eastern Kentucky
2. Tennessee Tech
3. Tennessee-Martin
4. Middle Tennessee State
5. Tennessee State 6. Murray State
7. Southeast Missouri State
8. Morehead State
9. Austin Peay State

● No slump is in sight for the Eastern Kentucky Colonels, who were unbeaten in the OVC and went to the Division I-AA playoffs for the 14th time in 16 years. Roy Kidd, starting his 31st season as coach, kept his entire offensive line, which includes three first-team all-conference players. He still has his starting quarterback, Greg Couch, and his top receiver, Dialleo Burks, and two first-team all-OVC defensive players. But most of the attention in Richmond, KY, involves John Sacca, the former Penn State quarterback, who picked Eastern Kentucky as his final collegiate stopping point. While Sacca must beat out Couch for the starting job, his credentials alone are enough to make Eastern the league favorite. Tennessee Tech, which plays the Colonels at home, expects to make a run at the title and Middle Tennessee should bounce back after a 5-6 season.

EASTERN KENTUCKY

A proverbial tailback factory, Eastern Kentucky must replace two 1,000-yard rushers, Leon Brown and Mike Penman, who combined for 2,452 yards and 22 touchdowns. Sophomores Eric Clay and Robert Bouldin and redshirt freshman William Murrell are in the wings. They'll run behind all-conference linemen Joel Woods, James Hand, and Jason Combs, while Roger Orlandini and Mike Gentry will fill the other spots. Backups return at each line position. Tight end Jason Dunn is an excellent blocker, and wideout Dialleo Burks caught 26 passes. Greg Couch became the starting quarterback after Ron Jones broke his arm in the second game, but John Sacca, who transferred from Penn State in midseason, joins the Colonels for his senior season. Bryan Dickerson, a

266-pounder, and Carlo Stallings return at fullback. Mark Collins should be one of the conference's better place-kickers.

Chris Guyton made all-OVC after intercepting five passes and deflecting 10 others. Linebacker Carlos Timmons also was all-OVC, but Eastern Kentucky lost Chad Bratzke, the league's Defensive Player of the Year. Other standouts on the unit are end Shane Balkcom, tackle Roosevelt Givens, strong safety Sheldon Walker, and linebacker Emerson Wells.

TENNESSEE TECH

The OVC has been dominated recently by Eastern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee State, but the Golden Eagles now appear ready to contend. Tech was 8-3 and its only OVC loss was to Eastern Kentucky, 10-7. Coach Jim Ragland has 45 lettermen, including all 11 starters on offense and seven on defense.

Mike Jones was the all-OVC quarterback after passing for 2,000 yards and 18 touchdowns. He was the first Tennessee Tech player to lead his league in passing in 34 years. His receivers include Steve Harris and Brad Perry, each of whom had 25 catches, and junior Gerald Bentley, who missed five games but caught 17 passes.

WILLIE QUEEN Tennessee Tech



KELVIN ANDERSON SE Missouri State



Steven Bowen and Scott Trent are prime targets at tight end. Tailbacks Willie Queen and Michael Penix each has had 1,000-yard seasons. Queen missed three games with injuries, but Penix ran for 1,037 yards last fall. Anthony Carano, Chris Madewell, and Dwayne McIntyre will share time at fullback. Guard Chris Reid and center Tracy Russell moor an offensive line that includes Keith Baldwin, Mark Trent, and Mike Lytle.

Ragland lost three key members from the league's top defense: Shane Queen, Maurice Draine, and Troy Peterson. But Craig Long made all-conference at tackle, where he teams with Brian Pankey. Marcus Patton and Andrew Mathis lend strength against both the run and the pass.

TENNESSEE-MARTIN

(6-5) The Pacers finished third in the OVC in their second season in Division I-AA and coach Don McLeary expects continued advancement: "We do have areas that we will need to solidify before the season begins, but are looking forward to the challenges."

Free safety Dwayne Harper is the Pacers' showpiece, a first-team all-OVC player who led the league in punt returns. He and James Brown each had four interceptions and will work with Remondia Weems and Preston Jones in the secondary. Brian Spano had 131 tackles at linebacker, where Carlton Sisco and Chris Wiley flank him. Rob Senatore and Anthony Bowles head the line, which should be helped by four junior college transfers: Brad Godwin, Kevin Mawyer, Lashone Brown, and Roman Pellum.

The Pacers are six-deep at running back, where Brian Gregory has the most experience. The offensive line retains J.B. Norment and Brent Luttrell but otherwise needs rebuilding. Junior college transfer Todd Mathew could push Doc Gamble at quarterback, and transfers Ulysses Trammell and Cal Daniels will support returning receivers Maurice Blakemore and Lenny Harris.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE

Defensive shortcomings, especially in the secondary, played a part in the Blue Raiders' fall to 5-6. Although they led the OVC in total offense, they slipped to eighth in total defense and were seventh in passing defense. Veteran coach Boots Donnelly said the team had attitude problems in 1993, when a string of 12 straight winning seasons ended. His youthful secondary gave up 15 passing touchdowns, almost as many as the Blue Raiders had allowed in the previous three seasons. Markee Tate is the only senior in the unit, and the tackles also lack experience with Mike Ellies, Trent Young, and Joe Franklin on the spot. The linebacking is thin, but good things are expected from Anthony Hicks and Nathaniel Claybrooks.

The offensive line is led by Pat Hicks and James Counce, both of whom have been slowed by injuries. David Watson, Mike LaFleur, and Burt Talley also are returning starters. Kelly Holcomb is a three-year regular at quarterback and will throw to tight end Anthony McCord and wideout Dennis Mimms. Tailback Kippy Bayless ran for 1,214 yards and 15 touchdowns. Garth Petrilli, a three-time all-OVC place-kicker, takes over the punting chores.

TENNESSEE STATE

The Tigers posted a 4-7 record, but six of the losses were by eight points or less. And with 17 returning starters, the potential is there for a reversal of fortune. Running back Daron Davis needs only 231 yards to become the school's career rushing leader. (Eugene Bowens ran for 1,973 in 1963-66.) Davis averaged 5.4 yards a carry en route to 772 yards last season. Nonetheless, second-year coach Bill Davis is more likely to unleash his aerial game than his ground attack. Daryl Williams completed 143 of 249 passes for 1,813 yards with Lawrence Segee on the receiving end of 65 for 870 yards. Clarence Jones had 44 catches for 756 yards. Royce McGowan is an all-conference candidate at offensive guard.

The Tigers must replace two standout defensive backs, Randy Fuller (drafted by the Denver Broncos in the fourth round) and Brent Alexander, but retain cornerback Cedric Davis, who had 36 tackles and two interceptions. Linebacker Thomas Jackson had 94 tackles and running mate Richard Freeman had 8½ tackles for losses. The key lineman is Jim Lackey.

MURRAY STATE

The Racers played 15 true freshmen while posting a 4-7 mark in Houston Nutt's first season. Nutt has lost just 12 lettermen and believes he's had good back-to-back recruiting classes. Tailback Wayne McGowan led the team in rushing (723 yards) and receiving (33 catches), but quarterback is a question mark because Butch Mosby graduated and Cory Rodney quit football. That leaves junior Benji Bona and redshirt freshman Jonathan Criswell in control. McGowan will be backed up by Tim Scarborough, Tony Turner, and Timmy Bland, with Bland also a capable wide receiver. David McCann replaces David Cox at fullback. All-OVC tight end Xavier Shephard returns to a line led by center Mike Gossett and guard Marcus Kimbrell.

Nutt feels good about his defense, which retains six starters. "The difference is night and day. We should be much better in 1994," he said. Anthony Hutch anchors the line, which includes Jimmy Stratton, Bill Christmas, Carlos Ransey, and Jeff Hornack. Junior college transfers Lamond Dean and Derrick Atchley will start at linebacker, where Chad Gann also remains. The secondary is young but experienced and features Larry Kendall, Reuel Shepherd, William Hampton, and Elliott Dunn.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

Southeast Missouri picked up some momentum by winning its last two games and three of its final four, but still settled for a 3-8 record. Coach John Mumford's hopes of climbing to a higher level rest on an experienced defense and the ability of Kelvin Anderson to recover from a knee injury. Anderson rushed for 1,016 yards and seven touchdowns last season, but he underwent surgery late in spring drills to have ligaments reattached to the bone. Anderson is expected to be ready for the fall. He will be backed up by Warren Richardson, who ran for 110 yards in 13 carries in the final spring scrimmage. Quarterback Shane Kennedy threw

for 851 yards and ran for 317 a year ago. He has several experienced receivers, including Jon Riley, who averaged 27 yards on 23 kickoff returns.

End Doug Berg, who had 11 tackles for losses among his 103 stops, secures the defense. Bryan Morrison is a solid linebacker and the line also features Cordez Vaughn, Albert Bateman, and Angel Rubio. "I think our defensive front has the ability to be one of the best in the Ohio Valley Conference. Our secondary really solidified during spring drills," Mumford said.

The highlight of the schedule includes a November 12 date at Hawaii.

MOREHEAD STATE

Matt Ballard, a former MSU defensive coordinator, stepped in as interim coach last spring and vowed to start from ground zero. He has 20 lettermen and 11 returning starters from a 3-8 team. Eight of the top nine rushers are back, including Darrell Cross, Pete Ruby, and Rontae Bass. Fullback Phil Dinn graduated, but Frank Diaz and Loren Williams are experienced. Jerry Stevens and Matt Venturino lead a receiving corps that includes Tyron Davis and Ray Williams, who has been moved from quarterback. Mike Appel, a backup in '93, has dubs on tight end. All-OVC guard Todd Neace is the best of four returning starters in the offensive line. Mike Snell, Stuart Cook, and Alan McPherson remain, and redshirt freshmen Kyle Henson and Adam Conn figure in Ballard's plans. J.P. Blair, who came to Morehead as a baseball recruit, will battle Brandon Pasquale and Justin Wassel at quarterback.

The secondary appears strong with James Scott, Hector Diaz, and Derick Pinkney. Eric Pitts and Gurald Lewis are veteran outside linebackers, but the inside spots must be filled. Mike Conner and Alex Rodriguez head the line.

AUSTIN PEAY STATE

Governors coach Roy Gregory believes better offensive execution and better tackling is paramount in Austin Peay's recovering from a 1-10 effort. He thinks he has the best team speed in several seasons and sees improvement at the skill positions.

The Governors have seven defenders back from the unit that yielded 246 yards per game. The most experienced linemen are Brian Harvey, Jacob Luthardt, Marcus Watkins, and Aaron Gray. Preston Harris is the only inside linebacker with experience and Jeff Gooch's move from quarterback will help the outside linebackers, who include Dennis Friendly and Leon Hite. Michael Swift is the kingpin of a veteran secondary that numbers Arthur King, Leonardo Thompson, James Loydd, and Kirk Pointer.

Sophomores Jesse Smith and Chris Horton are quick tailbacks operating out of a wishbone offense that probably will be directed by quarterback Daniel Williams. He was redshirted last year after an eligibility question persisted over several games and could be challenged by senior David Stooksbury and redshirt freshman Chris Wiggins. Tight end David Wilson, a 260-pounder, is used mostly as a blocker. The line must be retooled because tackle Neal Booker is the lone returning starter. □

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BRIGHAM YOUNG

(6-6) The Cougars had their string of 19 straight seasons above .500 snapped, but not their streak of bowl games, which climbed to 16, nor their WAC title streak, which now stands at five. The winter might have been even longer for BYU had it not been for a happy ending against Ohio State in the Holiday Bowl. It's true, the Cougars lost that game, 28-21, but the defeat came only after a potential game-tying touchdown pass was dropped in the end zone in the closing seconds. In all, the Cougars gave the heavily favored Buckeyes much more than they bargained for, and it left BYU coach LaVell Edwards optimistic about the future. "It was almost like we won the bowl game," he said. "It really improved morale."

With John Walsh back at quarterback, and a dozen starters returning on both sides of the ball, another league title and bowl trip are distinct possibilities. BYU's passing attack seems as healthy as ever. The Cougars ranked second in the nation last season with 369 passing yards per game as Walsh threw for 3,727 yards and 28 touchdowns. He is joined in the backfield by senior tailback Jamal Willis, who is still looking for an injury-free season to fulfill high expectations. Bryce Doman expects to fill the void left by Eric Drage, the school's all-time leading receiver. Virtually the entire offensive line returns, led by Evan Pilgrim, Jim Edwards, and Eli Herring, along with two quality tight ends in Terence Saluone and Chad Lewis.

The tough part for BYU will be to shore up the confidence of a sagging defense that gave up 475.7 yards per game, ranking 104th in the nation. Seven starters return, but none with job guarantees. In the spring a number of shifts took place and competition should continue throughout August. Mainstay ends Travis Hall and Randy Brock and linebacker Shay Muirbrook are joined by a number of JC transfers, including brothers

STONEY CASE *New Mexico*

predictions

western athletic conference

1. Brigham Young
2. Colorado State
3. New Mexico
4. Utah
5. Fresno State
6. Wyoming
7. San Diego State
8. Air Force
9. Hawaii
10. UTEP

JOHN WALSH
Brigham Young



David Benyak

Stan and John Raass and Mike Ulufale, all of whom won preliminary starting roles.

There will be no easing into the conference race for the Cougars. They play at Hawaii and at Air Force in their first two games and follow with two more WAC games in Provo against Colorado State and New Mexico.

COLORADO STATE

Coach Sonny Lubick enters his second year with the Rams surrounded by 17 returning starters, memories of a three-game winning streak from the end of '93, and as much optimism as ever in Fort Collins. The Rams, who have never won a WAC football title, appear to have as good a chance to win the league this fall as they did four years ago, when they came within one game of Brigham Young.

On defense they're led by two all-conference players, safety Greg Myers (who was also first-team all-WAC as a return specialist) and defensive tackle Steve Hodge, as well as by linebacker Kenya Ragsdale, the team's leading tackler. The offense returns senior quarterback Anthony Hill, a two-year starter who will be fronted by a veteran line anchored by center Pat Meyer and backed by tailbacks E.J. Watson and Leonice Brown, who are scheduled to rotate in Lubick's single-back attack. Juco transfer Donovan Burks had a good spring and will join last year's top three receivers: Eric Olsen, Paul Turner, and Terrence Zenno.

Probably the best thing going for Lubick's Rams is the knowledge that not only did they survive their 1993 schedule (one that included seven '92 bowl participants and five that went on to '93 bowls), but they came on strong at the end. Playing with a majority of

squads went 7-3 and 6-3-2 has New Mexico football enjoyed back-to-back success. There is ample reason to believe that coach Dennis Franchione, in just his third year on the job, will put the Lobos in position to challenge for the league title. Last year's 6-5 mark made a lot of believers, particularly since that record could conceivably have been 10-1. The Lobos lost by three points to both Brigham Young and San Diego State and by one to both TCU and Fresno State. It will mean that no one will take the Lobos lightly now that they've assumed, if not heavyweight, at least middleweight status.

Certainly no one will have to be introduced to senior quarterback Stoney Case, one of the country's most versatile performers. He passed for 2,490 yards and 17 touchdowns and ran for 329 yards and 14 TDs last fall. Case will again be joined in the backfield by 5-8, 172-pound Winslow Oliver, who had 648 yards rushing in just nine games because of injuries. Case and Oliver will be playing behind an almost entirely new, albeit bigger and perhaps better, line. The Lobos could average 300 pounds across the front. In all, nine starters return, and all are seniors. That includes five defenders: linemen Buddy Billingsley and Damon Burrest, linebackers Dan Coverly and Roston Thomas, and cornerback Charles Butler. Among the newcomers, junior college wide receiver Steve Pagador looked good in the spring.

The Lobos hope to sell 12,000 season tickets by the time the games get underway. That would amount to a 200 percent increase over just three years ago.

UTAH

Already, Ron McBride is entering his fifth season at Utah, even if the coach says it seems as though he took over only yesterday. Time flies when you're going to bowl games. The Utes have gone to two straight now, the Copper in 1992 and the Freedom a year ago, while breaking a 28-year bowl drought in the process. Close losses in both bowls, to Washington State and Southern Cal, respectively, have only served to whet the Utes' appetite. It's hard to keep a program on the rise down, and Utah is clearly a program on the rise.

With 13 starters returning, including quarterback Mike McCoy, the momentum doesn't

figure to slow down this fall. Still, the Utes have a big hole to fill in trying to replace bruising running back Jamal Anderson. It was largely Anderson's dominance last season that carried the Utes to five victories in their last six games and got them into the Freedom Bowl. When the Utes needed yards they turned to Anderson, and it was his threat that opened up McCoy's prolific passing (3,860 yards and 21 touchdowns). Seniors Henry Lusk and Charlie Brown and Robert Hamilton, a junior college transfer who sat out last season, are the top candidates to replace Anderson. In the fall, freshmen Juan Johnson and Sylvester Cooperwood will also join the competition. The top receiver coming back is senior Deron Claiborne, who caught 42 passes in 1993. The offensive line is led by all-WAC Lance Scott and the punting is in good shape in the form of senior Jason Jones, who averaged 41 yards last season. Mark Rexford is back at linebacker after topping the Utes in tackles, and Ernest Boyd, who led the WAC with six interceptions, heads a group of three defensive backs returning.

The Utes open the season with three non-league games and won't begin WAC play until September 24 at home against Wyoming. The schedule appears favorable, with BYU and Hawaii also in Salt Lake City, and no game this season against Fresno State.

FRESNO STATE

Picking the Bulldogs to finish fifth in the WAC is not easy. It flies in the face of all tradition. Fresno State has been a WAC member for two seasons, and both times it has tied for the title. But being favored probably wouldn't sit well with the Bulldogs. They haven't been the favorites in either of the past two years. Still, there are rebuilding problems that even the most ardent booster can't overlook. Not only must quarterback Trent Dilfer, the nation's top passer, be replaced, but so must four others whose names appeared on the NFL draft list. After Dilfer was grabbed in the first round by Tampa Bay, split end Tydus Winans and flanker Malcolm Seabron were taken in the third round by Washington and Houston, respectively, cornerback James Burton was taken in the fifth by Kansas City, which then took tailback Anthony Daigle in the next round. Only Notre Dame, Alabama, Colorado, Flori-

MIKE MCCOY Utah



underclassmen, the Rams beat an improving New Mexico team, then shut out UTEP, 52-0, and defeated bowl-bound Wyoming, 42-21, making their last three games memorable. That bodes well for the future, even if the tough schedule continues. Six of the 1994 opponents are coming off bowl seasons and the WAC schedule includes road stops at Colorado State and BYU.

NEW MEXICO

The Lobos are coming off their first winning record in 11 years and will be trying for their first consecutive winning seasons in almost a quarter of a century. Not since the 1970-71

RYAN CHRISTOPHERSON Wyoming



da State, and Texas A&M had more players drafted last April. Also out of eligibility is place-kicker Derek Mahoney, the school's all-time scoring leader.

Just three starters, led by leading receiver Charlie Jones (47 for 897 yards), return to an offense that averaged 533 yards per game in 1993. Replacing Diller is the biggest task, and Adrian Claiborne edged in front of a three-man pack with a 14-of-18, 149-yard, one-touchdown performance in the spring game. Richie Donati and Jeff Tuss will be Nos. 2 and 3 going into the fall. Mike Pittman had an excellent spring at running back, as did wide receiver David Dunn and tight end Warren Fortier, a redshirt frosh.

With six starters back, the defense dominated the offense in the early outings—something not seen very often in Fresno—as veterans such as linebaker Ron Papazian, the team's leading tackler, and backs Lance Thomas and Omar Stoutmire melded well with new defensive coordinator Leon Burtnett, once the head coach at Purdue. All-WAC center Jason James (6-5, 305) was moved to right tackle to beef up that side of the line, where he will team with guard Dan Han (6-4, 310). Sophomore Gary Osmundson had a good spring and will be the new starter at center.

DAVID DUNN *Fresno State*



Denny D'Amico

WYOMING

It isn't that the Cowboys don't have experience and depth after their 8-4 season and Copper Bowl appearance. Indeed, coach Joe Tiller has 10 starters returning, as well as both kickers. The problem is quarterback Joe Hughes and wide receiver Ryan Yarborough aren't among them. Hughes and Yarborough were the heart and soul of the offense and their departures left for an anxious spring. Senior John Gustin, Hughes's backup the past two seasons, emerged as the starter after throwing for 190 yards and a touchdown in the spring game. Close behind, and still in contention going into the fall, are freshmen Jeremy Dombek, an Oklahoman from Troy Aikman's old high school who broke all of Aikman's records, and Kelley Pratt. Eddie Pratt and Brent Tillman, who combined for 43 catches in '93 (compared with Yarborough's 67), will be counted on to take up the slack left by Yarborough's exit. The 'Pokes must also replace all-WAC tight end Mike Jones and his 69 receptions. The

brightest point on offense is the return of running back Ryan Christopherson, the No. 4 rusher in the WAC (1,014 yards).

With six starters back on defense, led by linemen Brent Schieffer and Tyrone Williams, linebaker Ryan Folsom and cornerback Steve Hendrix, that's the stronger side of the ball going into the season. Jim Talich, a redshirt freshman, had a good spring at middle linebacker and a pair of junior college transfers, linebaker Jason Holanda and defensive back Randy Karliner, should make an immediate impact.

The Cowboys got a break by drawing a bye this season with Brigham Young. A non-conference schedule that includes Nebraska, Oregon State, and Tulsa should help prepare Tiller's team for the second half of the schedule, dominated by WAC games.

SAN DIEGO STATE

Other than losing Marshall Faulk, one of the most prolific runners in NCAA history, to the NFL; other than breaking in an almost totally new coaching staff; other than trying to figure out how to come up with an encore for wide receiver extraordinaire Darnay Scott, the San Diego State Aztecs spent an uneventful offseason.

The Ted Tollner era begins this season in San Diego and it won't be hard distinguishing it from the Al Luginbill era. Just eight starters return. Rebuilding will be the order of the day, on almost all fronts. The brightest spots are at quarterback, where Tim Gutierrez returns for his senior season as one of the best passers in the WAC and the nation, and at running back, where Wayne Pittman figures to emerge out of the Faulk shadow he played in the past three seasons. As a mostly little-used backup behind Faulk, Pittman still managed to rush for 1,237 yards in three seasons. At receiver, redshirt freshman Will Blackwell is the projected heir apparent to the great Scott. Defensively, sack leaders La'Roi Glover, Doug Tom, and Jamal Duff anchor a veteran line.

The key to the mix is Tollner, a coach with plenty of experience, including a 1973-1980 stint at San Diego State as offensive coordinator to head coach Claude Gilbert. He moved on to serve one year as an assistant at BYU, was the head coach at Southern Cal for four years, and went to the NFL, where he spent time with the Buffalo Bills, San Diego Chargers, and Los Angeles Rams. Tollner has made a career out of working with, and helping to develop, a number of outstanding quarterbacks, including Jesse Freitas and Craig Penrose at San Diego State and Jim McMahon at BYU. While with the Bills he helped establish their no-huddle offense, a tactic the Aztecs will also use. Tollner's offensive coordinator will be Tom Craft, an Aztec quarterback he coached in the '70s. Craft directed a pair of national junior college championships the past three seasons at Palomar Junior College in northern San Diego County. The Aztecs' new defensive coordinator will be Steve Shafer, also a member of the old Claude Gilbert staff and most recently an NFL aide.

AIR FORCE

The Academy saw a four-year bowl streak come to an end in 1993 as it suffered through an uncharacteristic losing (4-8) sea-

son. The Falcons weren't blown out in any of their games. Indeed, they were in almost every one, but victories had a way of eluding them. Fisher DeBerry, whose 11th season will give him the third-longest coaching tenure in league history (behind BYU's LaVell Edwards, who is entering his 23rd season, and former ASU coach Frank Kush, who coached in the WAC for 16 years), does not plan to hit any panic buttons, however. He will stay with the wishbone offense that sets Air Force apart from the rest of the conference and has been very productive for the Academy for most of the past two decades. Junior Demond Cash brings experience to the quarterback position and he'll be flanked, as he was last year, by fullback Jake Maloy. The only other returning offensive starters are wide receiver Richie Marsh and left guard Jim Moore, so it will be a matter of regrouping for the offense.

Leading returning tackler Steve Russ and sack artist Johnny Harrison are the backbone of the defense, which also returns tackle Erik Davis and the entire secondary: cornerbacks Brian Watkins and Kevin Williams and safeties Kelvin King and LeRon Huggins. It is a veteran unit which could be the league's best. The early-season schedule calls for a quick start, with conference home games against top contenders Colorado State and Brigham Young.

HAWAII

Eight of the Rainbow Warriors' 12 games will be in Honolulu, which this year not only says something about the popularity of the islands, but about the desirability of Hawaii as an opponent. This could be a rough one for the Warriors. Three-year quarterback Michael Carter and most of the rest of the offense graduated, as did the bulk of the defense from a 1993 team that finished 6-6.

Taking over for Carter will be two-year letterman Rodney Glover, sophomore Glenn Freitas, or redshirt freshman Johnny Macon. None emerged as the clearcut No. 1 after spring practice but all showed promise. Whoever plays will be glad to see an offensive line that should be one of Hawaii's bright spots. Tackles Kendall Goo and Kelly McGill are returning regulars and redshirt freshman guard Dewey Reed had a good spring. Calvin Melvin, last year's leading rusher (831 yards), is also a bright spot. Another back with promise, juco transfer Brett Washington, sat out the spring to recover from injuries. Wide receiver Clint Kuboyama returned home after playing for two seasons at Boston College.

Defensively, it won't be easy to replace lineman Taase Faumui, a fourth-round draft choice of the Pittsburgh Steelers. There are three first-teamers back in the secondary (Demitreus Henderson, Carlos Anderson, and Jason Ross) but just one in the line (tackle Nalei Cox) and one at linebacker (Victor Santa Cruz).

The season starts with a bang, with WAC favorite Brigham Young in town for the opener on September 3.

UTEP

Head coach Charlie Bailey took over from David Lee after three games of a 1993 season that wound up 1-11. The Miners are hoping that Bailey will have the same kind of

success in El Paso that he had at Memphis State, where he took a program that started out 1-10 in 1986 and guided it to a 6-5-1 record in 1988.

Bailey and new offensive coordinator Pete Kuharchek scrapped the predominant running game favored by Lee and instituted a pro-set offense that will try to balance passing and running. Nine starters return, but as the spring drills indicated, all of them may not wind up starting. Shawn Gray and Leonard Lilja will compete at quarterback with two heralded freshman recruits out of Texas, John Rayborn and Matt Hickl, who reportedly signed on with the Miners because of the lure of a possible instant starting assignment. Probably the top returnee for the Miners is place-kicker Marshall Young, who has connected on 19 of 22 field-goal attempts.

New defensive coordinator Darrell Dickey will welcome junior college transfer Frank Ruffner, who sat out last year. Ruffner could have an immediate impact on the defensive line, while Kevin Goolsby and Greg Shead, with seven interceptions between them a year ago, head a secondary that has some experience, always good news in the pass-happy WAC.

big sky conference

predictions

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1. Montana 2. Idaho
3. Montana State 4. Boise State
5. Eastern Washington
6. Northern Arizona 7. Idaho State
8. Weber State

It is business as usual in the Big Sky Conference this fall. Montana and Idaho, the usual top contenders, look to be tougher than ever to dislodge. Both can entertain Division I-AA national championship thoughts. With 15 starters returning, including junior quarterback Dave Dickenson, last year's Big Sky Offensive Player of the Year, Montana would be the odds-on favorite even if it didn't have a record seven home games on its schedule.

MONTANA

The Grizzlies not only come into the 1994 season loaded with 15 returning starters and the best quarterback in the league, they are also perturbed. Their 49-48 loss to Delaware in the opening round of the Division I-AA playoffs didn't sit well when it happened, and the winter only made it worse. After winning such high-octane shootouts all season (their only loss was 35-30 to Division I-A Oregon), they picked a fine time to lose one.

Redemption could be theirs this season. Not only is the quarterback, Big Sky Offensive Player of the Year Dave Dickenson, back, but so is his personal bodyguard, in the estimable form of 6-9, 305-pound offensive tackle Scott Cragg. After running a 5.2 40 for the pro scouts last spring, Cragg could be Montana's biggest attraction next to Yellowstone this fall. Then there's inside linebacker Dan Downs, a senior who has

already been all-Big Sky twice and will join Dickenson, who led the country in total offense and beat out Idaho's Doug Nussmeier for Player of the Year honors a year ago, and Gragg as bona fide All-America candidates. The list goes on and on. If Montana could ever say it's loaded, this is the year. Even the recruits brought in by head coach Don Read are strong: wide receiver Ryan Blanchard, cornerback Billy Ivey, and defensive tackle Marty Duffin, a likely starter.

Also on the plus side is the fact that both Idaho (the perennial Big Sky team to beat) and archrival Montana State must play in Missoula this season. They won't be alone. A record seven home games are scheduled for Washington-Grizzly Stadium. That includes a September 10 contest against Carson Newman of Tennessee. Originally the Grizzlies were scheduled to travel to Kansas State that week, but by mutual agreement the game was cancelled.

DAVE DICKENSON Montana



IDAHO

Few programs in the country, at any level, can boast the kind of success Idaho has had over the past dozen seasons, which is how far you have to go back to find a won-lost record below .500. Last year's 11-3 effort and surge to the semifinal round of the Division I-AA playoffs—where the Vandals lost, 35-16, to eventual national champion Youngstown State—was the rule rather than the exception. The only smear on the record was the relinquishing of the conference title to Montana. Two league losses did in coach John L. Smith's Vandals, one by five points at Montana State and one by an aberrational 20 points to Montana at home. Other than that it was a dream season, featuring a 28-17 victory over Utah, a Division I-A program that would wind up in the Freedom Bowl, and six offensive performances that produced 49 points or more. The highlights were a 77-14 rousing of Lehigh at homecoming on November 13, and a 56-0 defeat of Weber State.

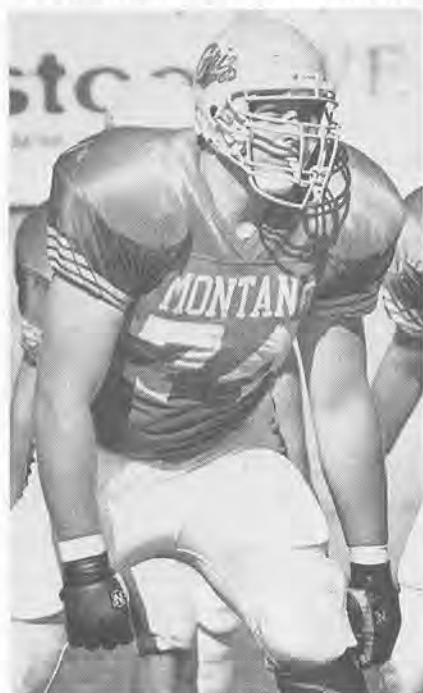
Like Montana, Idaho returns 15 starters this season and should contend for both conference and national championship honors. A glaring gap is at quarterback, however, where replacing the prolific Doug Nussmeier, last year's Walter Payton Award win-

ner, won't be easy. Spring practices identified the two likeliest heirs apparent as junior Eric Hisaw, Nussmeier's backup the past two seasons, and redshirt freshman Brian Brennan. The best news for Idaho is the return of running back Sheriden May, the Big Sky's leading rusher last fall. May averaged 115.2 yards per game, but because of Idaho's penchant for blowing teams out early, he often averaged most of that in the first half. He's joined in the backfield by Joel Thomas, another capable runner. Wide receiver Kyle Gary is a proven veteran, along with Jim Mills, the lone returning starter on the line. With nine returning regulars, Idaho should be improved defensively. Linebackers Jason Shelt and Duke Garrett and linemen Ryan Phillips and Ahmani Johnson are the mainstays.

MONTANA STATE

The turnaround came quickly. In Cliff Hysell's second season as head coach, the Bobcats produced a 7-4 record, their first winning effort since 1984, the year MSU won the national championship. The Cats' 4-3 conference mark gave them a fourth-place finish in the Big Sky, also a high-water mark since '84. Hysell, who produced a 4-7 effort in his rookie season of 1992, was named the District V Coach of the Year by Kodak and the Bobcats were stamped as a program on the rise.

With 15 returning starters this season, that rise should continue. No one in the Big Sky is



SCOTT CRAGG Montana

yawning when Montana State's name comes up anymore. Quarterback Brock Spencer, one of eight starters back on offense, wound up averaging 201 yards of total offense. Behind him is proven backup Ryan Grovom. Tailbacks Clint Morton and Fred Moore, a tandem that combined for nearly 2,000 yards, return, as does fullback T.T. Ryan. The top receiver is Eric Hopkins, and redshirt Kenyatte Morgan adds more

speed to the position. Filling holes on the offensive line remains the biggest challenge heading into fall. The defense is young but experienced. Seven starters are back, led by free safety Mark Grimmer, whose seven interceptions ranked him first in the Big Sky in '93 and eighth in the nation. End Jason Hicks, the unofficial Big Sky sack leader (14), was a third-team All-America.

The most sobering part of the upcoming season is the fact that among the road trips are visits to league leaders Idaho and Montana. The 'Cats will be able to ease into the conference schedule with nonconference early games against Minnesota-Duluth and Stephen F. Austin.

BOISE STATE

It was a tough baptism for Pokey Allen, who found more questions than answers in his first year as Boise State's head coach. The Broncos suffered through a 3-8 season (1-6 and seventh place in the Big Sky), their worst in history. Losing seasons are a rare commodity in Boise, where there have been just four since the end of World War II. The chief problem is '93 was adjusting to Allen's pass-oriented system despite glaring personnel weaknesses, particularly along the offensive line. It was no surprise when Allen and his staff hit the recruiting trail minutes after the final loss in search of immediate help. Fifteen junior college transfers were signed, many of them offensive linemen. Four (Alex Toyos, Paul Coffman, Keith Jeffery, and Steve Brushey) won starting jobs in spring drills. Only John Miller, last year's left guard, will be a familiar face this fall. Sophomore Tony Hilde is back at quarterback. Both starting running backs, Prentice Stephens and Brandon Ferguson, also return, but they'll have to make room for K.C. Adams, an academic casualty last fall who raised eyebrows in the spring game with 57 receiving yards and 73 yards rushing.

The defense features seven returning regulars and is anchored by end Joe O'Brien (6-2, 258), whom the coaches had to take out of the spring game because he was stopping the offense from doing anything. The Broncos didn't know whether that was a bad or a good sign. They'll have to wait till the fall to find out.

EASTERN WASHINGTON

Dick Zornes went out on a high note as the Eagles went 7-3 in '93 (5-2 in the Big Sky), bringing his career ledger to 89-66-2. The new coach, 39-year-old Mike Kramer, assisted Zornes for five years and will be no stranger to the Eagles' schemes, either defensively or offensively. With 14 starters returning, seven on each side of the ball, the prospects for another winning season are good, although a number of top players—including linebacker Jason Marsh, the conference Defensive Player of the Year, and All-America wide receiver Tony Brooks—will have to be replaced. The strength of the team could be the defense, where the entire line, led by all-Big Sky tackle Craig Steinmetz, returns, as well as two linebackers. Only the secondary is lean, and Kramer worked the junior colleges for recruits.

On offense, incumbent quarterback Todd Bennett leads the returnees. As was the case

last year, Bennett is expected to give way to his backup, Torresy Smith, in short-yardage situations. Jason Anderson, one of the league's most talented receivers (33 catches for six TDs), also returns, as does David Lewis, a running back who, despite a number of recurring injuries, has rushed for 988 yards over the past two seasons. Two JC transfers, Rex Prescott and Joe Sewell, were added in the spring and looked good. The most decorated individual should be guard Harold Fox (6-4, 298), who was an AP second-team All-America last fall as Eastern ranked 18th in the nation in passing offense and 31st in total offense.

Kramer's inauguration will take place September 10 against Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo. His Big Sky debut will be the following week at Montana.

NORTHERN ARIZONA

The high note for the Lumberjacks is that they're coming off a 7-4 campaign. The low note is they lost four of their last five games. Lots of questions surrounded the program as coach Steve Axman enters his fifth year. Will the team that opened 1993 with six straight victories show up, or will it be the



JASON ANDERSON Eastern Washington

team that only averted a five-game losing streak at the end of the season by pasting Valparaiso, 55-13?

Lots of starters return, 15 in all, and that includes all the skill positions except tight end. Quarterback Jeff Lewis is back after throwing for 15 touchdowns and 2,497 yards last year as a sophomore. He had just six interceptions in 335 attempts. The backfield includes halfbacks Len Raney and Brian Galbreath plus junior college transfer Claude Torrey, who had an impressive spring. Wide receiver Rod Alexander caught 48 passes for 871 yards. Defensively, the entire secondary returns—always a good sign in the Big Sky—as well as two strong linemen in end Frank Romano and tackle Chris West. Defensive back Jeff Bergman led the Jacks' "Grinding Stone" defense with 111 tackles last fall. Among the newcomers, redshirt freshman Ryan Lingfelder was most impressive in spring drills as he won the starting job at center. Also, inside linebacker James Taylor, a juco transfer, was a pleasant surprise.

IDAHO STATE

It will be hard to tell the 1994 Bengals from the 1993 Bengals even if 12 starters are returning, including nine on the offensive side. After a 2-9 season that included an 0-7 mark in the Big Sky, coach Brian McNeeley is changing everything. On offense, the Bengals will switch from their traditional option attack to a no-huddle shotgun spread. On defense, under new coordinator Rob Bolks, they'll change to a 4-4-3 alignment, with both outside linebackers taking on safety-like responsibility.

Consistent with all this change was the switch of tailback Alfredo Anderson, all-Big Sky last year as a freshman, back to quarterback, his original position. Anderson played four games at quarterback a year ago before moving to tailback, where he set a school rushing record with 1,159 yards and a 7.2-yard average. Taking his place at running back will be sophomore Kyle Simmons, senior Chad Kay (last year's fullback), or junior college transfer Thomas Washington, a former Florida high school all-stater who has size and speed. The best reason for optimism with the new offense is a receiving group that includes all-Big Sky pick Sam Carter, Rommie Wheeler, and 245-pound tight end Josh Gibbs.

The defense returns only three starters, and it's likely junior college transfer Derrick Carter will emerge as the leader at his inside linebacker position. Another juco transfer, Ike Johnson, should make an immediate impact as well. Josh Brown, who played inside linebacker last fall, was moved to strong safety in the spring and responded by intercepting six passes in four scrimmages.

WEBER STATE

It's one thing to have to go into the offseason worrying about losing your quarterback or maybe even your whole offense. It's another to think you might possibly lose your program. Such was the sobering circumstance that faced the Weber football department at the end of the 1993, when the school president and board of regents questioned whether Weber State should continue fielding a football team. After averaging just 4,812 fans at a record seven home games in Ogden, the powers that be became concerned at the lack of fan support—and the resultant financial losses estimated to be over a quarter of a million dollars. Only after a grass-roots Save-the-Wildcats campaign was mounted did the administration give the O.K. for more football in '94.

The turmoil did result in casualties, however. The two biggest impact players of 1993, quarterback Brad Otton and running back Markeith Ross, left before the issue was ever resolved. Otton, who threw for 2,307 yards and 15 touchdowns in just seven starts, transferred to USC and Ross, who set a single-game school record when he rushed for 280 yards against Nevada, transferred to San Diego State. Both will have to sit out this season before resuming their playing careers. Head coach Dave Arslanian is left with their holes to fill, as well as plenty of others as only five starters are back. Among the best of the returnees are defensive back/linebacker Rob Hitchcock and 255-pound tight end Pat McNerney. □

Television Schedule

Sunday, August 28

Nebraska vs. West Virginia 2:00 PM (ABC)

Monday, August 29

Ohio State vs. Fresno State 9:00 PM (Raycom)

Thursday, September 1

Arizona at Georgia Tech 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, September 3

Virginia at Florida State 3:30 PM (ABC)
Boston College at Michigan 3:30 PM (ABC)
Washington at Southern Cal 3:30 PM (ABC)
Notre Dame at Northwestern 8:00 PM (ABC)
Tennessee at UCLA 8:00 PM (ABC)

Thursday, September 8

Nebraska at Texas Tech 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, September 10

Michigan at Notre Dame 3:00 PM (NBC)
Southern Cal at Penn State 3:30 PM (ABC)
Ohio State at Washington 3:30 PM (ABC)

Thursday, September 15

Army at Duke 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, September 17

UCLA at Nebraska 3:30 PM (ABC)
Notre Dame at Michigan State 3:30 PM (ABC)

Thursday, September 22

West Virginia at Virginia Tech 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, September 24

Purdue at Notre Dame 3:00 PM (NBC)

Thursday, September 29

Kentucky at Auburn 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, October 1

Stanford at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

Thursday, October 6

Kansas State at Kansas 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, October 15

Ohio State at Michigan State 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Brigham Young at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

Southern Cal at Stanford 7:00 PM (ABC)

Saturday, October 29

Wisconsin at Michigan 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Navy at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

Thursday, November 3

Boston College at Louisville (ESPN)

Thursday, November 10

San Diego State at Brigham Young 8:00 (ESPN)

Saturday, November 19

Michigan at Ohio State 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Air Force at Notre Dame 1:30 PM (NBC)

Thursday, November 24

Texas at Baylor 11:00 AM (ABC)

Friday, November 25

North Carolina State at Virginia 11:00 AM (ABC)

Texas Tech at Texas Christian 11:00 AM (ABC)

Nebraska at Oklahoma 2:30 PM (ABC)

Arizona State at Arizona 6:00 PM (ABC)

Saturday, November 26

Grambling vs. Southern 2:00 PM (NBC)

Notre Dame at Southern Cal 8:00 PM (ABC)

Saturday, December 3

Army vs. Navy 12:00 Noon (ABC)

SEC Championship Game 3:30 PM (ABC)

Thursday, December 15

Las Vegas Bowl 9:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, December 17

Division I-AA Championship Game

1:00 PM (CBS)

Sunday, December 25

Blue-Gray Classic 12:00 Noon (ABC)

Aloha Bowl 3:30 PM (ABC)

Wednesday, December 28

Independence Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Thursday, December 29

Copper Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Friday, December 30

John Hancock Bowl 2:30 PM (CBS)

Holiday Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, December 31

Liberty Bowl 2:00 PM (ESPN)

Alamo Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

Sunday, January 1

Florida Citrus Bowl 1:00 PM (ABC)

Cotton Bowl 1:00 PM (NBC)

Fiesta Bowl 4:30 PM (NBC)

Rose Bowl 4:30 PM (ABC)

Gator Bowl 7:30 PM (TBS)

Peach Bowl 8:00 PM (NBC)

Orange Bowl 8:30 PM (ABC)

Monday, January 2

Hall of Fame Bowl 11:00 AM (ESPN)

Carquest Bowl 1:30 PM (CBS)

Saturday, January 14

East-West Shrine Game 4:00 PM (ESPN)

Saturday, January 21

Senior Bowl 1:00 PM (ESPN)

Sunday, January 22

Hula Bowl 8:00 PM (ESPN)

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AIR FORCE ACADEMY

Colorado Springs, CO

S. 3 Colorado State+	5-8
S. 10 Brigham Young+	3-30
S. 17 Northwestern+	
S. 24 Texas-El Paso (A)	31-10
O. 1 San Diego State	31-38
O. 8 Navy+	24-28
O. 22 Fresno State+	20-33
O. 29 Wyoming	18-31
N. 5 Army	25-6
N. 12 Utah+	24-41
N. 19 Notre Dame	
D. 3 Hawaii	17-45
(A) Al San Antonio, TX	

Coach: Fisher DeBerry • Colors: Blue & Silver
Nickname: Falcons • 1993 Record: 4-8

AKRON Akron, OH

S. 3 Temple+*	31-7
S. 10 Bowling Green+*	7-49
S. 17 Kent	42-7
S. 24 Western Michigan	3-20
O. 8 Miami (OH)	31-13
O. 15 Central Michigan+*	23-13
O. 22 Toledo+*	
O. 29 Youngstown State	0-19
N. 5 Eastern Michigan	19-7
N. 12 Ball State	9-31
N. 19 Ohio University+	13-21

Coach: Gerry Faust • Colors: Blue & Gold
Nickname: Zips • 1993 Record: 5-6

ALABAMA Tuscaloosa, AL

S. 3 UT-Chattanooga+(A)	
S. 10 Vanderbilt+	17-6
S. 17 Arkansas	43-3
S. 24 Tulane+(A)	31-17
O. 1 Georgia+	
O. 8 Southern Mississippi+	40-0
O. 15 Tennessee	17-17
O. 22 Mississippi+	19-14
N. 5 Louisiana State	13-17
N. 12 Mississippi State	36-25
N. 19 Auburn+(A)	14-22

(A) At Birmingham, AL

Coach: Gene Stallings • Colors: Crimson & White
Nickname: Crimson Tide • 1993 Record: 10-2

ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, AL

S. 3 Alabama State	
S. 10 Dayton	27-19
S. 17 Jacksonville State+	
S. 24 Kansas	
O. 1 Western Kentucky+	13-40
O. 8 Wolford+	23-11
O. 15 Mississippi Valley State+	30-13
O. 22 Charleston Southern+	48-20
O. 29 Morehead State	52-14
N. 5 Butler+	31-27
N. 19 Prairie View A&M	58-12

Coach: Jim Hilyer • Colors: Green & Gold
Nickname: Blazers • 1993 Record: 9-2

ALABAMA STATE Montgomery, AL

S. 10 Southern University*	14-23
S. 17 Alcorn State	25-28
S. 24 Troy State	3-38
O. 8 Jackson State+*	15-17
O. 15 Texas Southern (A)*	28-26
O. 22 Prairie View A&M	37-6
O. 29 Alabama A&M	7-0
N. 5 Grambling	16-10
N. 12 Mississippi Valley+	14-14
N. 14 Tuskegee+	31-30

(A) At Mobile, AL

Coach: Houston Markham • Colors: Black & Gold
Nickname: Hornets • 1993 Record: 5-4-1

ALCORN STATE Lorman, AL

S. 3 Grambling*	25-24
S. 10 UT-Chattanooga	
S. 17 Alabama State+	28-25
S. 24 Sam Houston State*	31-24
O. 8 Texas Southern+	44-41
O. 15 Prairie View	31-10
O. 22 Southern University+	31-47
O. 29 Samford	
N. 5 Mississippi Valley State	28-20
N. 12 Troy State+	21-63
N. 19 Jackson State	31-22

Coach: Cardell Jones • Colors: Purple & Gold
Nickname: Braves • 1993 Record: 8-3

APPALACHIAN STATE Boone, NC

S. 10 Wake Forest	3-20
S. 17 North Carolina A&T+	10-22
S. 24 The Citadel+	14-27
O. 1 East Tennessee State*	20-16
O. 8 Furman+	21-27
O. 15 Georgia Southern*	28-34
O. 22 Marshall+	3-35
O. 29 UT-Chattanooga	39-14
N. 5 Liberty+	14-20
N. 12 Western Carolina	20-16
N. 19 VMI+	35-21

Coach: Jerry Moore • Colors: Black & Gold
Nickname: Mountaineers • 1993 Record: 4-7

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ARIZONA Tucson, AZ

S. 1 Georgia Tech*	
S. 10 New Mexico State+*	
S. 24 Stanford	27-24
O. 1 Oregon State+	33-0
O. 8 Colorado State+	
O. 15 Washington State	9-6
O. 22 UCLA+*	17-37
O. 29 Oregon	31-10
N. 5 California+*	20-24
N. 12 Southern Cal	38-7
N. 19 Arizona State+	34-20

Coach: Dick Tomey • Colors: Cardinal & Navy
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 10-2

ARIZONA STATE Tempe, AZ

S. 3 Oregon State+	14-30
S. 10 Miami+*	
S. 17 Louisville+*	17-35
S. 24 California	41-0
O. 8 Stanford+*	38-30
O. 15 Washington	32-17
O. 22 Washington State+*	25-44
O. 29 Brigham Young	
N. 5 Oregon	36-45
N. 12 UCLA+*	9-3
N. 25 Arizona	20-34

Coach: Bruce Snyder • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Sun Devils • 1993 Record: 6-5

ARKANSAS Fayetteville, AR

S. 3 Southern Methodist+	10-6
S. 10 South Carolina	18-17
S. 17 Alabama+	3-43
S. 24 Memphis State	0-6
O. 1 Vanderbilt+	
O. 8 Tennessee	14-28
O. 15 Mississippi+	0-19
O. 29 Auburn	21-31
N. 5 Mississippi State	13-13
N. 12 Northern Illinois+	
N. 26 Louisiana State+	42-24

Coach: Danny Ford • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Razorbacks • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

ARKANSAS STATE Jonesboro, AR

S. 3 Virginia Tech*	
S. 10 Nevada	23-21
S. 17 Southern Illinois+*	27-6
S. 24 New Mexico State	19-22
O. 1 Mississippi State*	15-15
O. 8 SW Louisiana	3-19
O. 15 Memphis+	3-45
O. 22 Pacific+*	6-20
N. 5 Northern Illinois+	7-23
N. 12 Colorado State	
N. 19 Louisiana Tech+	3-17

Coach: John Bobo • Colors: Scarlet & Black
 Nickname: Indians • 1993 Record: 2-8-1

ARMY West Point, NY

S. 10 Holy Cross+	
S. 15 Duke*	21-42
S. 24 Temple+	56-21
O. 1 Wake Forest	
O. 8 Rutgers	38-45
O. 15 Louisville+	
O. 22 The Citadel+	
O. 29 Boston College+	14-41
N. 5 Air Force+	6-25
N. 12 Boston University+	
D. 3 Navy @	16-14

@ At Philadelphia, PA

Coach: Bob Sutton • Colors: Black, Gold & Gray
 Nickname: Cadets • 1993 Record: 6-5

AUBURN Auburn, AL

S. 3 Mississippi	16-12
S. 10 NE Louisiana+	
S. 17 Louisiana State+	34-10
S. 24 East Tennessee State+	
O. 29 Kentucky+	
O. 8 Mississippi State	31-17
O. 15 Florida	38-35
O. 29 Arkansas+	31-21
N. 5 East Carolina+	
N. 12 Georgia+	42-28
N. 26 Alabama @	22-14

@ At Birmingham, AL

Coach: Terry Bowden
 Colors: Burnt Orange & Navy Blue
 Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 11-0

AUSTIN PEAY Clarksville, TN

S. 1 Kentucky Wesleyan+*	
S. 17 Western Kentucky*	27-28
S. 24 Eastern Kentucky+*	7-48
O. 1 Tennessee Tech	17-35
O. 8 Murray State+*	14-38
O. 15 Tennessee State*	16-21
O. 22 Morehead State+	10-23
O. 29 Southeast Missouri	7-17
N. 5 Middle Tennessee+	10-44
N. 12 Samford	
N. 19 UT-Martin	33-39

Coach: Roy Gregory • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Governors • 1993 Record: 1-10

BALL STATE Muncie, IN

S. 3 West Virginia	
S. 17 Purdue	
S. 24 Ohio University+	24-16
O. 1 Central Michigan+	20-17
O. 8 Toledo*	31-30
O. 15 Western Michigan+	
O. 22 Bowling Green	26-26
O. 29 Eastern Michigan+	18-13
N. 5 Miami (OH)	21-0
N. 12 Akron+	31-9
N. 19 Kent	28-3

Coach: Paul Schudel • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Cardinals • 1993 Record: 8-3-1

BAYLOR Waco, TX

S. 3 Louisiana Tech+*	
S. 10 San Jose State*	
S. 17 Oklahoma State+*	
S. 24 Southern Cal	
O. 1 Texas Christian*	13-38
O. 8 Southern Methodist+	31-12
O. 15 Texas A&M	17-34
O. 22 Texas Tech	28-26
O. 29 Houston+	3-24
N. 12 Rice	38-14
N. 24 Texas+	17-38

Coach: Chuck Reedy • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Bears • 1993 Record: 5-6

BETHUNE-COOKMAN Daytona Beach, FL

S. 3 Johnson C. Smith+	30-7
S. 10 Morgan State	41-7
S. 17 Central Florida	14-34
S. 24 North Carolina Central+	
O. 1 Delaware State*	26-55
O. 8 Howard	7-21
O. 15 South Carolina State	27-40
O. 22 Albany State+	
O. 29 North Carolina A&T	14-29
N. 5 Knoxville+	31-33
N. 26 Florida A&M	22-27

Coach: Cy McClairn • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 3-8

BOISE STATE Boise, ID

S. 3 Northeastern+*	27-13
S. 10 Northridge State+*	
S. 17 Nevada+*	10-38
S. 24 Liberty+*	
O. 1 Northern Arizona	9-23
O. 8 Weber State+*	14-21
O. 15 Idaho State*	34-27
O. 22 Montana State	21-42
N. 5 Montana+	24-38
N. 12 Eastern Washington	17-28
N. 19 Idaho+	16-49

Coach: Pokey Allen • Colors: Blue & Orange
 Nickname: Broncos • 1992 Record: 3-8

BOSTON COLLEGE Chestnut Hill, MA

S. 3 Michigan	
S. 17 Virginia Tech+	48-34
S. 24 Pittsburgh	33-0
O. 8 Notre Dame+	41-39
O. 15 Temple+	66-14
O. 22 Rutgers+	31-21
O. 29 Army	41-14
N. 3 Louisville	
N. 12 Syracuse+	33-29
N. 19 West Virginia	14-17
N. 26 Miami	7-23

Coach: Dan Henning • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1993 Record: 9-3

BOSTON UNIVERSITY Boston, MA

S. 10 Colgate	
S. 17 Maine	45-0
S. 24 Villanova	30-15
O. 1 James Madison+	24-21
O. 8 Rhode Island	48-15
O. 15 Northeastern+	17-14
O. 22 Richmond+	44-14
O. 29 Massachusetts	28-9
N. 5 Connecticut+	30-16
N. 12 Army	
N. 19 New Hampshire+	24-14

Coach: Dan Allen • Colors: Scarlet & White
 Nickname: Terriers • 1993 Record: 12-1

BOWLING GREEN Bowling Green, OH

S. 3 North Carolina State*	
S. 10 Akron*	49-7
S. 17 Navy+	20-27
S. 24 Eastern Michigan*	
O. 1 Cincinnati*	21-7
O. 8 Ohio University+	20-0
O. 15 Toledo*	17-10
O. 22 Ball State+	26-26
O. 29 Miami (OH)+	30-25
N. 5 Kent State	40-7
N. 12 Central Michigan+	15-17

Coach: Gary Blackney • Colors: Orange & Brown
 Nickname: Falcons • 1993 Record: 6-3-2

BRIGHAM YOUNG Provo, UT

S. 3 Hawaii	41-38
S. 10 Air Force	30-3
S. 17 Colorado State+	27-22
S. 24 New Mexico+	34-31
S. 30 Utah State+*	56-58
O. 8 Fresno State*	45-48
O. 15 Notre Dame	20-45
O. 22 Texas-El Paso*	47-16
O. 29 Arizona State+	
N. 5 NE Louisiana+	
N. 10 San Diego State+*	45-44
N. 19 Utah	31-34

Coach: Lavell Edwards • Colors: Royal Blue & White
 Nickname: Cougars • 1993 Record: 6-6

BROWN Providence, RI

S. 17 Yale+	12-3
S. 24 Rhode Island	7-30
O. 1 Colgate+	
O. 8 Princeton	16-34
O. 15 Holy Cross+	
O. 22 Pennsylvania+	9-34
O. 29 Cornell	3-21
N. 5 Harvard	43-29
N. 12 Dartmouth+	16-39
N. 19 Columbia	28-23

Coach: Mark Whipple
 Colors: Brown, Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Bruins, Bears • 1993 Record: 4-6

BUCKNELL Lewisburg, PA

S. 10 Hofstra+	0-28
S. 17 Southern Connecticut+	
S. 24 Harvard	
O. 1 Princeton	
O. 8 Towson State+	21-49
O. 15 Cornell+	
O. 22 Lehigh	32-27
O. 29 Lafayette+	14-31
N. 5 Holy Cross	33-23
N. 12 Colgate+	8-13
N. 19 Fordham+	27-21

Coach: Lou Maranzana • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Bison • 1993 Record: 4-7

BUFFALO Buffalo, NY

S. 3 James Madison*	
S. 10 Towson State	14-38
S. 17 Lehigh+	
S. 24 Cheyney State+	
O. 8 Colgate+	
O. 15 Illinois State+	
O. 22 Hofstra+*	20-28
O. 29 Maine*	27-30
N. 5 Youngstown State*	12-38
N. 12 Western Illinois	
N. 19 Central Florida	7-42

Coach: Jim Ward • Colors: Red, White & Blue
 Nickname: Bulls • 1993 Record: 1-10

BUTLER Indianapolis, IN

S. 3 Hofstra+	19-20
S. 10 St. Xavier	
S. 17 Georgetown+	24-21
O. 1 Drake	28-3
O. 8 Valparaiso	10-1
O. 15 Dayton+	6-28
O. 22 San Diego+	27-28
O. 29 Evansville+	14-12
N. 5 Alabama-Birmingham	27-31

Coach: Ken LaRose • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 4-6

CALIFORNIA Berkeley, CA

S. 10 San Diego State	45-25
S. 17 Hawaii+	42-18
S. 24 Arizona State+	0-41
O. 1 San Jose State+	46-13
O. 8 UCLA+	27-25
O. 15 Oregon	42-41
O. 22 Southern Cal	14-42
O. 29 Washington State	7-34
N. 5 Arizona	24-20
N. 12 Washington	23-24
N. 19 Stanford+	46-17

Coach: Keith Gilbertson • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Bears • 1993 Record: 9-4

CAL STATE-NORTHRIIDGE

Northridge, CA

S. 10 Boise State*	
S. 17 UC Davis+*	38-48
S. 24 SW Texas State*	
O. 1 Chico State+*	21-7
O. 8 Sonoma State	39-0
O. 15 St. Mary's	
O. 22 Cal Poly-SLO+*	22-14
N. 5 Southern Utah	17-20
N. 12 Northern Arizona+*	9-23
N. 19 Cal State Sacramento*	30-31

Coach: Bob Burt • Colors: Red, Black & White
 Nickname: Matadors • 1993 Record: 4-6

CANISIUS Buffalo, NY

S. 10 Mercyhurst	9-13
S. 17 Buffalo State+*	10-20
S. 24 Siena+	34-19
O. 1 Georgetown	19-14
O. 8 Gannon	13-16
O. 15 St. John's+	23-18
O. 22 Marist	
O. 29 St. Peter's+	29-20
N. 5 Iona	9-19
N. 12 Duquesne+	12-16

Coach: Barry Mynter • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Griffins • 1993 Record: 5-5

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE

New Britain, CT

S. 10 Marist	31-33
S. 17 Robert Morris+	
S. 24 C.W. Post	18-72
O. 1 St. Peter's	9-7
O. 8 Hofstra	
O. 15 Springfield	20-11
O. 22 St. Francis (PA)+	27-29
O. 29 Wagner+	15-22
N. 5 Southern Connecticut+	28-14
N. 12 Monmouth+	

Coach: Sal Cintonno • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Blue Devils • 1993 Record: 5-5

CENTRAL FLORIDA Orlando, FL

S. 3 Maine	
S. 10 Valdosta State+	35-30
S. 17 Bethune-Cookman+	34-14
S. 24 Western Kentucky+	
O. 1 Illinois State	
O. 8 Samford	48-17
O. 15 Northeast Louisiana*	
O. 22 Troy State+	15-29
O. 29 Liberty*	55-19
N. 12 East Carolina	17-41
N. 19 Buffalo+	42-7

Coach: Gene McDowell • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Knights • 1993 Record: 9-3

CENTRAL MICHIGAN Mount Pleasant, MI

S. 3 Iowa	20-33
S. 10 Nevada-Las Vegas+	20-33
S. 17 Eastern Michigan	21-28
S. 24 Kent State+	33-28
O. 1 Ball State	17-20
O. 8 Western Michigan+	23-18
O. 15 Akron	13-23
O. 22 Miami (OH)+	21-24
O. 29 Ohio University	38-0
N. 5 Toledo+	38-7
N. 12 Bowling Green	17-15

Coach: Dick Flynn • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Chippewas • 1993 Record: 5-6

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN
Charleston, SC

S. 10 Presbyterian	17-16
S. 17 South Carolina State+	44-10
S. 24 Towson State+	14-52
O. 1 Morgan State+	20-54
O. 8 Newberry+	15-10
O. 15 Troy State	0-56
O. 22 Alabama-Birmingham	20-48
O. 29 Mars Hill+	
N. 5 UT-Martin	
N. 12 Wofford	9-21
N. 19 Liberty	6-42

Coach: David Dowd • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Buccaneers • 1993 Record: 3-8

CINCINNATI Cincinnati, OH

S. 3 Indiana	21-24
S. 10 Syracuse+	30-23
S. 17 Miami (OH)	41-17
S. 24 Houston+	7-21
O. 1 Bowling Green+	7-21
O. 8 Vanderbilt+	7-17
O. 15 Rutgers	23-20
O. 22 Memphis State	34-14
O. 29 East Carolina	22-15
N. 12 Wisconsin	
N. 19 Tulsa+	

Coach: Rick Minter • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Bearcats • 1993 Record: 8-3

CITADEL Charleston, SC

S. 10 Wofford+	6-20
S. 17 Western Carolina+	18-38
S. 24 Appalachian State	27-14
O. 1 Newberry+	17-20
O. 8 East Tennessee State+	20-10
O. 15 Furman	20-10
O. 22 Army	15-35
O. 29 Marshall	41-27
N. 5 UT-Chattanooga+	34-33
N. 12 VMI	6-16
N. 19 Georgia Southern+	

Coach: Charlie Taaffe • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 5-6

CLEMSON Clemson, SC

S. 3 Furman+	20-14
S. 10 North Carolina State+	23-14
S. 17 Virginia	29-0
O. 1 Maryland+	13-10
O. 8 Georgia	0-57
O. 15 Duke	16-20
O. 22 Florida State	0-24
O. 29 Wake Forest+	16-13
N. 5 North Carolina	16-13
N. 12 Georgia Tech+	
N. 19 South Carolina+	

Coach: Tommy West • Colors: Purple & Orange
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 9-3

COLGATE Hamilton, NY

S. 10 Boston University+	13-17
S. 17 Dartmouth+	32-36
S. 24 Princeton	7-7
O. 1 Brown	13-8
O. 8 Buffalo	14-27
O. 15 Harvard	
O. 22 Fordham+	
O. 29 Lehigh	
N. 5 Lafayette+	
N. 12 Bucknell	
N. 19 Holy Cross+	

Coach: Ed Sweeney • Colors: Maroon, White & Gray
 Nickname: Red Raiders • 1993 Record: 3-7-1

COLORADO Boulder, CO

S. 3 NE Louisiana+	36-14
S. 17 Wisconsin+	30-18
S. 24 Michigan	27-10
O. 1 Texas	16-16
O. 8 Missouri	17-21
O. 15 Oklahoma+	31-14
O. 22 Kansas State+	38-14
O. 29 Nebraska	21-16
N. 5 Oklahoma State+	
N. 12 Kansas	
N. 19 Iowa State+	

Coach: Bill McCartney • Colors: Silver, Gold & Black
 Nickname: Buffaloes • 1993 Record: 8-3-1

COLORADO STATE Fort Collins, CO

S. 3 Air Force	8-5
S. 10 Utah State+	22-27
S. 17 Brigham Young	3-30
S. 24 San Diego State+	21-20
O. 1 New Mexico*	52-0
O. 8 Arizona*	21-38
O. 15 Texas-El Paso+	42-21
O. 22 Utah+	
N. 5 Wyoming+	
N. 12 Arkansas State	34-32
N. 19 Fresno State	

Coach: Sonny Lubick • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Rams • 1993 Record: 5-6

COLUMBIA New York, NY

S. 17 Harvard+	3-30
S. 24 Lehigh	6-58
O. 1 Lafayette+	7-40
O. 8 Fordham	7-36
O. 15 Pennsylvania	28-35
O. 22 Yale	3-14
O. 29 Princeton+	25-42
N. 5 Dartmouth	29-24
N. 12 Cornell+	23-28
N. 19 Brown+	

Coach: Ray Telier • Colors: Columbia Blue & White
 Nickname: Lions • 1993 Record: 2-8

CONNECTICUT Storrs, CT

S. 3 Nicholls State+	21-3
S. 10 Troy State+	24-23 (207)
S. 17 Richmond+	25-14
S. 24 New Hampshire	14-17
O. 1 Yale	14-13
O. 8 Villanova+	41-9
O. 15 Maine+	16-30
O. 22 Rhode Island+	45-34
N. 5 Boston University	17-20
N. 12 James Madison	
N. 19 Massachusetts	

Coach: Skip Holtz • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 6-5

CORNELL Ithaca, NY

S. 17 Princeton+	12-18
S. 24 Fordham	48-6
O. 1 Lehigh+	13-35
O. 8 Harvard	27-0
O. 15 Bucknell	27-28
O. 22 Dartmouth+	21-3
O. 29 Brown+	21-0
N. 5 Yale	24-29
N. 12 Columbia	14-17
N. 19 Pennsylvania+	

Coach: Jim Holter • Colors: Carmel & White
 Nickname: Big Red • 1993 Record: 4-6

DARTMOUTH Hanover, NH

S. 17 Colgate	6-10
S. 24 Pennsylvania+	31-14
O. 1 Fordham+	28-27
O. 8 Lafayette	39-34
O. 15 Yale+	42-25
O. 22 Cornell	39-16
O. 29 Harvard+	28-22
N. 5 Columbia+	
N. 12 Brown	
N. 19 Princeton	

Coach: John Lyons • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Big Green • 1993 Record: 7-3

DAVIDSON Davidson, NC

S. 17 Maryville	0-27
S. 24 Emory & Henry+	35-24
O. 1 Guilford+	21-16
O. 8 Washington & Lee+	35-7
O. 15 Methodist	16-21
O. 22 Randolph-Macon	21-14
O. 29 Hampden-Sydney	31-44
N. 5 Centre College+	55-14
N. 12 Bridgewater	
N. 19 University of the South @	
@ At Devonshire, Bermuda	

Coach: Tim Landis • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 6-4

DAYTON Dayton, OH

S. 3 Mount St. Joseph+	24-23
S. 10 Alabama-Birmingham+	19-27
S. 24 Georgetown (KY)	13-6
O. 1 Evansville+	28-6
O. 8 Wilmington+	35-7
O. 15 Butler	38-10
O. 22 Drake+	30-7
O. 29 Valparaiso	
N. 12 San Diego*	

Coach: Mike Kelly • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Flyers • 1993 Record: 9-1

DELAWARE Newark, DE

S. 10 William & Mary	42-35
S. 17 Villanova	19-7
S. 24 West Chester+	56-41
O. 1 Maine	21-19
O. 8 James Madison+	38-42
O. 15 Richmond	48-10
O. 22 Massachusetts+	29-43
O. 29 Northeastern+	28-23
N. 5 Lehigh	62-21
N. 12 Hofstra+	32-11
N. 19 Rhode Island+	

Coach: Harold Raymond • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Fightin' Blue Hens • 1993 Record: 9-4

DELAWARE STATE Dover, DE

S. 4 Cheyney State+	44-12
S. 10 Youngstown State+	14-31
S. 17 Towson State+	55-26
O. 1 Bethune-Cookman	43-47
O. 8 Liberty*	18-14
O. 15 Florida A&M+	65-42
O. 22 Morgan State	15-38
O. 29 South Carolina State+	25-19
N. 5 North Carolina A&T+	33-53
N. 12 Rhode Island	
N. 19 Howard	

Coach: Bill Collick • Colors: Blue & Red
 Nickname: Hornets • 1993 Record: 6-5

DRAKE Des Moines, IA

S. 10 Simpson College	35-9
S. 17 San Diego+	17-14
S. 24 Aurora	47-14
O. 1 Butler+	3-28
O. 8 Evansville	29-27
O. 15 Valparaiso+	31-12
O. 22 Dayton	7-35
O. 29 Nebraska-Kearney	
N. 5 Wisconsin-Oshkosh+	
N. 12 St. Ambrose+	

Coach: Rob Ash • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 8-2

DUKE Durham, NC

S. 3 Maryland+	18-26
S. 10 East Carolina+	42-21
S. 15 Army+	14-47
S. 24 Georgia Tech	10-13
O. 1 Navy	21-13
O. 15 Clemson+	7-45
O. 22 Wake Forest	0-35
O. 29 Florida State	21-20
N. 5 Virginia+	24-38
N. 12 North Carolina State	
N. 19 North Carolina+	

Coach: Fred Goldsmith • Colors: Royal Blue & White
 Nickname: Blue Devils • 1993 Record: 3-8

DUQUESNE Pittsburgh, PA

S. 10 St. Francis (PA)+*	35-34
S. 17 Georgetown+	
S. 24 St. Peter's	0-7
O. 1 Gannon+	12-21
O. 8 Robert Morris	
O. 15 Marist+	
O. 22 Siena	12-37
O. 29 Iona+	16-12
N. 5 St. John's	
N. 12 Canisius	

Coach: Greg Gattuso • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Dukes • 1993 Record: 4-6

EAST CAROLINA Greenville, NC

S. 10 Duke	22-41
S. 17 Temple	16-24
S. 24 Syracuse+	3-27
O. 1 Southern Mississippi+	12-31
O. 8 South Carolina	26-52
O. 15 Virginia Tech+	14-34
O. 22 Tulsa	41-17
O. 29 Cincinnati+	7-34
N. 5 Auburn	
N. 12 Central Florida+	
N. 19 Memphis State	

Coach: Steve Logan • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Pirates • 1993 Record: 2-9

EASTERN ILLINOIS Charleston, IL

S. 1 Murray State+	34-17
S. 10 Texas-El Paso*	35-13
S. 17 Lock Haven State+	27-31
S. 24 Northern Illinois*	14-28
O. 1 Southwest Missouri*	24-27
O. 8 Northern Iowa	17-17
O. 22 Western Illinois	12-35
O. 29 Indiana State+	
N. 5 Illinois State	
N. 12 Western Kentucky+	
N. 19 Southern Illinois+	

Coach: Bob Spoo • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 3-7-1

EASTERN KENTUCKY Richmond, KY

S. 1 Western Kentucky*	10-15
S. 10 Samford+	22-26
S. 17 Youngstown State*	48-7
S. 24 Austin Peay*	33-27
O. 1 Middle Tennessee St.*	52-13
O. 2 Tennessee State+*	21-13
O. 15 Murray State+	10-7
O. 22 Tennessee Tech	30-0
O. 29 UT-Martin*	35-21
N. 5 SE Missouri St.+	44-7
N. 19 Morehead State+	

Coach: Ray Kidd • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Colonels • 1993 Record: 8-4

EASTERN MICHIGAN Ypsilanti, MI

S. 3 Nevada-Las Vegas*	28-21
S. 10 Wisconsin	15-7
S. 17 Central Michigan+	20-15
S. 24 Bowling Green+	20-21
O. 1 Miami (OH)+	13-18
O. 8 Kent	7-19
O. 22 Western Michigan	10-12
O. 29 Ball State	0-14
N. 5 Akron+	
N. 12 Ohio University	
N. 19 Toledo+	

Coach: Ron Cooper • Colors: Green & Red
 Nickname: Eagles • 1993 Record: 4-7

EASTERN WASHINGTON Cheney, WA

S. 10 Cal Poly-SLO+*	20-35
S. 17 Montana	36-22
S. 24 Weber State+	38-21
O. 1 Portland State*	10-49
O. 8 Idaho+	38-26
O. 15 Northern Arizona*	38-7
O. 22 Idaho State	16-7
O. 29 Montana State+	
N. 5 Utah State	28-17
N. 12 Boise State+	
N. 19 Northern Iowa	

Coach: Mike Kramer • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Eagles • 1993 Record: 7-3

EAST TENNESSEE STATE

Johnson City, TN

S. 1 Catawba College+*	
S. 10 Morehead State*	
S. 17 VMI+*	10-7
S. 24 Auburn	
O. 1 Appalachian State+*	16-20
O. 8 The Citadel	20-17
O. 22 Georgia Southern	24-31
O. 29 Furman+	21-45
N. 5 Marshall+	9-33
N. 12 UT-Chattanooga	21-0
N. 19 Western Carolina	24-25

Coach: Mike Cavan • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Buccaneers • 1993 Record: 6-5

EVANSVILLE Evansville, IN

S. 3 Wittenberg	
S. 10 Thomas More+	
S. 17 Kentucky Wesleyan	35-14
O. 1 Dayton*	6-13
O. 8 Drake+	27-29
O. 15 San Diego	27-21
O. 22 Valparaiso+	34-28
O. 29 Butler	12-14
N. 5 Cumberland (Tenn.)	28-12
N. 12 Aurora+	

Coach: Robin Cooper • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Aces • 1993 Record: 6-4

FLORIDA Gainesville, FL

S. 3 New Mexico State+	
S. 10 Kentucky+	24-20
S. 17 Tennessee	41-34
O. 1 Mississippi	
O. 8 Louisiana State+	58-3
O. 15 Auburn+	35-38
O. 29 Georgia	33-26
N. 5 Southern Mississippi+	
N. 12 South Carolina+	37-26
N. 19 Vanderbilt	52-0
N. 26 Florida State	21-33

Coach: Steve Spurner • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Gators • 1993 Record: 11-2

FLORIDA A&M Tallahassee, FL

S. 3 Tuskegee+*	
S. 17 Jackson State*	41-19
S. 24 Howard+	13-32
O. 1 Tennessee State*	23-15
O. 8 North Carolina A&T+*	13-41
O. 15 Delaware State	14-18
O. 22 South Carolina State @	21-17
O. 29 Morgan State+	41-14
N. 5 Southern University*	4-26
N. 12 Grambling #	13-39
N. 26 Bethune-Cookman \$	27-22
@ At Orlando, FL	
# At Miami, FL	
\$ At Tampa, FL	

Coach: Billy Joe • Colors: Orange & Green
 Nickname: Rattlers • 1993 Record: 5-6

FLORIDA STATE Tallahassee, FL

S. 3 Virginia+	40-14
S. 10 Maryland	49-20
S. 17 Wake Forest	54-0
S. 24 North Carolina+	33-7
O. 8 Miami	28-10
O. 15 Virginia+	40-14
O. 22 Clemson+	57-0
O. 29 Duke+	45-7
N. 5 Georgia Tech	51-0
N. 12 Notre Dame @	24-31
N. 19 North Carolina St.	62-3
N. 26 Florida+	33-21
@ At Orlando, FL	

Coach: Bobby Bowden • Colors: Garnet & Gold
 Nickname: Seminoles • 1993 Record: 12-1

FORDHAM Bronx, NY

S. 3 Villanova+	5-25
S. 10 Lehigh	6-24
S. 16 Hofstra*	22-49
S. 24 Cornell+	6-48
O. 1 Dartmouth	
O. 8 Columbia+	0-7
O. 15 Princeton+	
O. 22 Colgate	17-13
O. 29 Holy Cross+	12-28
N. 12 Lafayette+	12-27
N. 19 Bucknell	21-27

Coach: Nick Quartaro • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Rams • 1993 Record: 1-10

FRESNO STATE Fresno, CA

A. 29 Ohio State @*	
S. 3 San Jose State+*	
S. 10 Washington St.	
S. 17 Oregon State+*	48-30
S. 24 Hawaii*	45-21
O. 8 Brigham Young+*	48-45
O. 15 Wyoming+*	28-32
O. 22 Air Force	33-20
O. 29 New Mexico+*	41-24
N. 5 Nevada+*	
N. 12 Texas-El Paso*	30-10
N. 19 Colorado State+*	32-34
N. 26 San Diego State*	63-37
@ At Anaheim, CA	

Coach: Jim Sweeney • Colors: Cardinal & Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 8-4

FURMAN Greenville, SC

S. 3 Clemson	
S. 10 South Carolina State+*	
S. 17 William & Mary+*	
O. 1 Western Carolina+	20-23
O. 8 Appalachian State	27-21
O. 15 The Citadel+	10-20
O. 22 VMI	14-0
O. 29 East Tennessee State	45-21
N. 5 Georgia Southern+	19-31
N. 12 Marshall	17-3
N. 19 UT-Chattanooga	42-45

Coach: Bobby Johnson • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Paladins • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

GEORGETOWN Washington, DC

S. 17 Duquesne	
S. 24 Iowa+	15-22
O. 1 Canisius+	14-19
O. 8 St. John's	24-25
O. 15 Franklin & Marshall	3-17
O. 22 John's Hopkins+	17-19
O. 29 Marist+	
N. 5 Siena	35-6
N. 12 St. Peter's+	26-14

Coach: Robert Benson • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Hoyas • 1993 Record: 4-5

GEORGIA Athens, GA

S. 3 South Carolina	21-23
S. 10 Tennessee+	6-38
S. 17 NE Louisiana+	
S. 24 Mississippi+	14-31
O. 1 Alabama	
O. 8 Clemson	
O. 15 Vanderbilt+	41-3
O. 22 Kentucky	33-28
O. 29 Florida	26-33
N. 12 Auburn	28-42
N. 26 Georgia Tech+	43-10

Coach: Ray Goff • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 5-6

GEORGIA SOUTHERN Statesboro, GA

S. 3 Miami	7-30
S. 10 West Georgia+*	
S. 17 Marshall+*	3-13
S. 24 UT-Chattanooga*	45-0
O. 1 VMI+*	57-0
O. 8 Western Carolina	19-18
O. 15 Appalachian State+*	34-28
O. 22 East Tennessee State+	31-24
N. 5 Furman	31-19
N. 12 Glenville State+	
N. 19 The Citadel	16-6

Coach: Tim Stowers • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Eagles • 1993 Record: 10-3

GEORGIA TECH Atlanta, GA

S. 1 Arizona+*	
S. 10 Western Carolina+	
S. 24 Duke+	47-14
O. 1 North Carolina St.+*	23-28
O. 8 North Carolina	3-41
O. 15 Virginia+	14-35
O. 22 Maryland	38-0
N. 5 Florida State+	0-51
N. 12 Clemson	13-16
N. 19 Wake Forest+	38-28
N. 26 Georgia	10-43

Coach: Bill Lewis • Colors: Old Gold & White
 Nickname: Yellow Jackets • 1993 Record: 5-6

GRAMBLING Grambling, AL

S. 3 Alcorn State+*	24-25
S. 17 Morgan State	
S. 24 Hampton @*	26-27
O. 1 Prairie View A&M \$*	49-0
O. 8 Mississippi Valley St.	28-19
O. 15 Arkansas-Pine Bluff+*	45-7
O. 22 Jackson State+	20-14
O. 29 Texas Southern	50-26
N. 5 Alabama State+	10-16
N. 12 Florida A&M	39-13
N. 26 Southern #	13-31
@ At East Rutherford, NJ	
\$ At Dallas, TX	
# At New Orleans, LA	

Coach: Eddie Robinson • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 7-4

HARVARD Cambridge, MA

S. 17 Columbia	30-3
S. 24 Bucknell+	
O. 1 Holy Cross	41-25
O. 8 Cornell+	0-27
O. 15 Colgate+	
O. 22 Princeton	10-21
O. 29 Dartmouth	34-39
N. 5 Brown+	29-43
N. 12 Pennsylvania	20-27
N. 19 Yale+	31-33

Coach: Tim Murphy
 Colors: Crimson, Black & White
 Nickname: Crimson • 1993 Record: 3-7

HAWAII Honolulu, HI

S. 3 Brigham Young+*	38-41
S. 10 Oregon+*	
S. 17 California	18-42
S. 24 Fresno State+*	21-45
O. 1 Texas-El Paso*	52-0
O. 8 New Mexico+*	14-41
O. 15 Utah	41-30
O. 29 San Diego State*	14-45
N. 12 SE Missouri+*	
N. 19 Wyoming+*	10-48
N. 26 Missouri+*	
D. 3 Air Force+*	45-17

Coach: Bob Wagner • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Rainbow Warriors • 1993 Record: 6-6

HOFFSTRA Hempstead, NY

S. 3 Butler	20-19
S. 10 Bucknell	28-0
S. 17 Fordham+	49-22
S. 24 Lafayette	17-17
O. 1 New Hampshire+	
O. 8 Central Connecticut St.+*	
O. 22 Buffalo	28-20
O. 29 Towson State+	40-12
N. 5 Rhode Island+	32-37
N. 12 Delaware	

Coach: Joe Gardi • Colors: Gold, White & Blue
 Nickname: Flying Dutchmen • 1993 Colors: 6-3-1

HOLY CROSS Worcester, MA

S. 10 Army	
S. 17 Massachusetts+	7-37
S. 24 Yale	27-31
O. 1 Harvard+	25-41
O. 8 Pennsylvania	
O. 15 Brown	
O. 22 Lafayette	27-52
O. 29 Fordham	28-12
N. 5 Bucknell+	23-33
N. 12 Lehigh+	10-17
N. 19 Colgate	27-14

Coach: Peter Vaas • Colors: Royal Purple
 Nickname: Crusaders • 1993 Record: 3-8

HOUSTON Houston, TX

S. 1 Kansas+*	
S. 10 Louisiana Tech*	
S. 17 Missouri+*	
O. 24 Ohio State	17-41
O. 8 Texas A&M+*	10-34
O. 15 Southern Methodist	28-28
O. 22 Texas Christian+*	10-28
O. 29 Baylor	24-3
N. 12 Texas	16-34
N. 19 Texas Tech @*	7-58
N. 26 Rice+*	7-37
@ At San Antonio, TX	

Coach: Kim Helton • Colors: Scarlet & White
 Nickname: Cougars • 1993 Record: 1-9-1

HOWARD Washington, DC

S. 3 Mississippi Valley @	
S. 10 Hampton+	
S. 24 Florida A&M*	31-13
O. 1 Towson State+	44-41
O. 8 Bethune-Cookman+	21-7
O. 15 North Carolina Central	
O. 22 North Carolina A&T+	41-34
O. 29 Morehouse	34-9
N. 5 South Carolina State	30-14
N. 12 Morgan State+	66-37
N. 19 Delaware State+	53-33
@ At St. Louis, MO	

Coach: Steve Wilson • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Bison • 1993 Record: 11-1

IDAHO Moscow, ID

S. 3 Southern Utah*	
S. 17 Nevada-Las Vegas*	
S. 24 Stephen F. Austin+	38-30
O. 1 Idaho State+	56-27
O. 8 Eastern Washington	49-10
O. 15 Montana State+	35-40
O. 22 Northern Arizona+	34-27
O. 29 Montana	34-54
N. 5 Northern Iowa+	
N. 12 Weber State+	56-0
N. 19 Boise State	49-16

Coach: John L. Smith • Colors: Silver & Gold
 Nickname: Vandals • 1993 Record: 11-3

IDAHO STATE Pocatello, ID

S. 3 Adams State+*	
S. 10 Utah*	
S. 17 Northern Arizona*	15-32
S. 24 Mesa State+*	59-10
O. 1 Idaho	27-56
O. 8 Montana State	
O. 15 Boise State+*	27-34
O. 22 Eastern Washington+	7-38
O. 29 Portland State+*	7-21
N. 5 Weber State	17-21
N. 12 Montana+*	16-28

Coach: Brian McNeely • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Bengals • 1993 Record: 2-9

ILLINOIS Champaign, IL

S. 3 Washington State @	3-31
S. 10 Missouri+	
S. 17 Northern Illinois+	
O. 1 Purdue+	28-10
O. 8 Ohio State	12-20
O. 15 Iowa+	49-3
O. 22 Michigan+	24-21
O. 29 Northwestern	20-13
N. 5 Minnesota	23-20
N. 12 Penn State+	14-28
N. 19 Wisconsin	10-35
@ At Chicago, IL	

Coach: Lou Tepper • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Fighting Illini • 1993 Record: 5-6

ILLINOIS STATE Normal, IL

S. 3 McNeese State*	37-27
S. 10 Washburn+*	
S. 17 Western Illinois	12-17
S. 24 Indiana State	27-3
O. 1 Central Florida+	
O. 8 SW Missouri State+*	28-40
O. 15 Buffalo*	
O. 22 Northern Iowa*	19-20
O. 29 Southern Illinois+	34-16
N. 5 Eastern Illinois+	17-17
N. 12 Middle Tennessee State	

Coach: Jim Heacock • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Redbirds • 1993 Record: 6-4-1

INDIANA Bloomington, IN

S. 3 Cincinnati+	
S. 10 Miami (OH)+	
S. 17 Kentucky	24-8
S. 24 Wisconsin	15-27
O. 1 Minnesota+	23-19
O. 8 Iowa	16-10
O. 22 Northwestern+	24-0
O. 29 Michigan State	10-0
N. 5 Penn State+	31-38
N. 12 Ohio State+	17-23
N. 19 Purdue	24-17

Coach: Bill Mallory • Colors: Cream & Crimson
 Nickname: Hoosiers • 1993 Record: 8-4

INDIANA STATE Terre Haute, IN

S. 3 Toledo*	
S. 10 Lock Haven+*	
S. 17 West Virginia Tech+*	49-6
S. 24 Illinois State+*	3-17
O. 1 Northern Iowa+	10-17
O. 8 Southern Illinois	26-35
O. 15 Western Illinois	16-6
O. 22 SW Missouri State+	21-31
O. 29 Eastern Illinois	27-24
N. 5 Western Kentucky	41-14
N. 19 Youngstown State+	10-17

Coach: Dennis Raelz • Colors: Royal Blue & White
 Nickname: Sycamores • 1993 Record: 4-7

IONA New Rochelle, NY

S. 17 Marist	27-24
S. 24 Georgetown	22-15
O. 1 Siena+	54-21
O. 8 Pace	38-6
O. 15 St. Peter's+	35-28
O. 22 Wagner+	30-23
O. 29 Duquesne	
N. 5 Canisius	19-9
N. 12 St. John's	42-30

Coach: Harold Crocker • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Gaels • 1993 Record: 9-2

IOWA Iowa City, IA

S. 3 Central Michigan+	
S. 10 Iowa State+	31-28
S. 17 Penn State	0-31
S. 24 Oregon	
O. 1 Michigan+	7-24
O. 8 Indiana+	10-16
O. 15 Illinois	3-49
O. 22 Michigan State+	10-24
O. 29 Purdue	26-17
N. 12 Northwestern+	23-19
N. 19 Minnesota*	21-23

Coach: Hayden Fry • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Hawkeyes • 1993 Record: 6-6

IOWA STATE Ames, IA

S. 3 Northern Iowa+	
S. 10 Iowa	28-31
S. 17 Western Michigan+	
S. 24 Rice+	21-49
O. 1 Oklahoma	7-24
O. 15 Kansas+	20-35
O. 22 Oklahoma State	20-17
O. 29 Missouri+	34-37
N. 5 Kansas State	27-23
N. 12 Nebraska+	17-49
N. 19 Colorado	16-21

Coach: Jim Walden • Colors: Cardinal & Gold
 Nickname: Cyclones • 1993 Record: 3-8

JACKSON STATE Jackson, MS

S. 4 Alabama A&M*	
S. 10 Tennessee State*	24-18
S. 17 Florida A&M+*	19-41
S. 24 Mississippi Valley+*	7-7
O. 1 South Carolina State	33-34
O. 8 Alabama State*	17-15
O. 15 Southern University*	3-16
O. 22 Grambling	14-20
N. 5 Texas Southern+	38-12
N. 12 Prairie View+*	37-7
N. 19 Alcorn State	22-31

Coach: James Carson • Colors: Cardinal & Gold
 Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

JAMES MADISON Harrisonburg, VA

S. 3 Buffalo+*	
S. 10 Middle Tennessee St.+*	
S. 17 New Hampshire	45-21
O. 1 Boston University	21-24
O. 8 Delaware	42-38
O. 15 Villanova+	42-3
O. 22 William & Mary+	26-31
O. 29 Richmond	13-20
N. 5 VMI	
N. 12 Connecticut+	34-45
N. 19 Northeastern+	52-21

Coach: Rip Scherer • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Dukes • 1993 Record: 6-5

KANSAS Lawrence, KS

S. 1 Houston	
S. 10 Michigan State+	14-31
S. 17 Texas Christian	
S. 24 Alabama-Birmingham+	
O. 6 Kansas State+	9-10
O. 15 Iowa State	35-20
O. 22 Oklahoma+	23-38
O. 29 Oklahoma State+	13-6
N. 5 Nebraska	20-21
O. 12 Colorado+	14-38
N. 19 Missouri	28-0

Coach: Glen Mason • Colors: Crimson & Blue
 Nickname: Jayhawks • 1993 Record: 5-7

KANSAS STATE Manhattan, KS

S. 10 Southwest Louisiana+*	
S. 17 Rice+	18-16
S. 24 Minnesota+*	30-25
O. 6 Kansas*	10-9
O. 15 Nebraska+	28-45
O. 22 Colorado	16-16
O. 29 Oklahoma	21-7
N. 5 Iowa State+	23-27
N. 12 Missouri	31-21
N. 19 Oklahoma State+	21-17
N. 26 Nevada-Las Vegas	36-20

Coach: Bill Snyder • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 9-2-1

KENT Kent, OH

S. 3 Rutgers	
S. 17 Akron+	7-42
S. 24 Central Michigan	28-33
O. 1 Western Michigan	21-27
O. 8 Eastern Michigan+	15-20
O. 15 Youngstown State	
O. 22 Ohio University+	10-15
O. 29 Toledo*	27-45
N. 5 Bowling Green+	7-40
N. 12 Miami (OH)	14-23
N. 19 Ball State+	3-28

Coach: Jim Corrigan • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Flashes • 1993 Record: 0-11

KENTUCKY Lexington, KY

S. 3 Louisville+*	
S. 10 Florida+	20-24
S. 17 Indiana+	8-24
S. 24 South Carolina+*	21-17
S. 29 Auburn*	
O. 15 Louisiana State*	35-17
O. 22 Georgia+*	28-33
O. 29 Mississippi State+*	26-17
N. 5 Vanderbilt+	7-12
N. 12 NE Louisiana+	
N. 19 Tennessee	0-48

Coach: Bill Curry • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 6-6

LAFAYETTE Easton, PA

S. 10 East Stroudsburg+	
S. 17 Pennsylvania	
S. 24 Hofstra+	17-17
O. 1 Columbia	58-6
O. 8 Dartmouth+	
O. 15 Navy	
O. 22 Holy Cross+	52-27
O. 29 Bucknell	21-14
N. 5 Colgate	7-7
N. 12 Fordham	27-12
N. 19 Lehigh+	14-39

Coach: Bill Russo • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Leopards • 1993 Record: 5-4-2

LEHIGH Bethlehem, PA

S. 10 Fordham+	24-6
S. 17 Buffalo*	
S. 24 Columbia+	
O. 1 Cornell	35-13
O. 8 Yale	
O. 15 New Hampshire	
O. 22 Bucknell+	27-32
O. 29 Colgate+	36-32
N. 5 Delaware+	21-62
N. 12 Holy Cross	17-10
N. 19 Lafayette	39-14

Coach: Kevin Higgins • Colors: Brown & White
 Nickname: Engineers • 1993 Record: 7-4

LIBERTY Lynchburg, VA

S. 3 Concord+*	37-3
S. 9 Villanova*	27-13
S. 17 Toledo*	
S. 24 Boise State*	
O. 8 Delaware State+*	47-43
O. 15 SW Missouri State	
O. 22 Catawba+*	
O. 29 Central Florida+*	19-55
N. 5 Appalachian State	20-14
N. 12 New Haven+*	
N. 19 Charleston Southern+*	42-6

Coach: Sam Rutigliano • Colors: Red, White & Blue
 Nickname: Flames • 1993 Record: 6-5

LOUISIANA STATE Baton Rouge, LA

S. 3 Texas A&M+*	0-24
S. 10 Mississippi State+*	18-16
S. 17 Auburn	10-34
O. 1 South Carolina+*	
O. 8 Florida*	3-58
O. 15 Kentucky+*	17-35
O. 29 Mississippi	19-17
N. 5 Alabama+*	17-13
N. 12 Southern Mississippi+*	
N. 19 Tulane	24-10
N. 26 Arkansas	24-42

Coach: Curley Hallman • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Fighting Tigers • 1993 Record: 5-6

LOUISIANA TECH Ruston, LA

S. 3 Baylor	
S. 10 Houston+*	
S. 17 South Carolina*	3-34
O. 1 SW Louisiana+	17-21
O. 8 Nevada-Las Vegas*	23-28
O. 15 Utah State+*	13-24
O. 22 Northern Illinois	17-16
O. 29 West Virginia	
N. 5 Northwestern State+*	
N. 12 San Jose State+*	6-31
N. 19 Arkansas State	17-3

Coach: Joe Ray Peace
 Colors: Columbia Blue & Red
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 2-9

LOUISVILLE Louisville, KY

S. 3 Kentucky	
S. 10 Texas	41-10
S. 17 Arizona State	35-17
O. 1 Pittsburgh+	29-7
O. 8 North Carolina St.+	
O. 15 Army	
O. 22 Navy	28-0
O. 29 Memphis+	54-28
N. 3 Boston College+	
N. 12 Texas A&M+	7-42
N. 26 Tulsa+	28-0

Coach: Howard Schnellenberger
 Colors: Red, White & Black
 Nickname: Cardinals • 1993 Record: 9-3

MAINE Orono, ME

S. 3 Central Florida+	
S. 10 Rhode Island+	26-23 (207)
S. 17 Boston University+	0-45
S. 24 Massachusetts	17-13
O. 1 Delaware+	19-21
O. 8 Richmond	14-17
O. 15 Connecticut	13-14
O. 22 New Hampshire+	13-63
O. 29 Buffalo @*	30-27
N. 5 William & Mary	23-47
N. 12 Northeastern	20-34

@ At Portland, ME

Coach: Jack Cosgrove • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Black Bears • 1993 Record: 3-8

MARIST Poughkeepsie, NY

S. 10 Central Connecticut+	33-31
S. 17 Iona+	24-27
S. 24 Wagner	6-22
O. 1 St. John's+	30-31
O. 8 St. Peter's	
O. 15 Duquesne	21-12
O. 22 Canisius+	
O. 29 Georgetown	
N. 5 St. Francis (PA)+	16-7
N. 12 Siena	28-0

Coach: Jim Parady • Colors: Black, Red & White
 Nickname: Red Foxes • 1993 Record: 5-5

MARSHALL Huntington, WV

S. 3 Morehead State+*	56-0
S. 10 Tennessee Tech+*	
S. 17 Georgia Southern*	13-3
S. 24 West Virginia State+*	
O. 1 UT-Chattanooga+*	31-33
O. 8 VMI	51-0
O. 15 Western Carolina+*	20-16
O. 22 Appalachian State	35-3
O. 29 The Citadel+	35-15
N. 5 East Tennessee State	33-9
N. 12 Furman+	3-17

Coach: Jim Dornan • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Thundering Herd • 1993 Record: 11-4

MARYLAND College Park, MD

S. 3 Duke	26-18
S. 10 Florida State+	20-49
S. 17 West Virginia	37-42
S. 24 Wake Forest+	33-32
O. 1 Clemson	0-29
O. 15 North Carolina	42-59
O. 22 Georgia Tech+	0-38
O. 29 Tulane+	
N. 5 North Carolina St.+	21-44
N. 12 Virginia	29-43
N. 19 Syracuse	

Coach: Mark Duffner
 Colors: Red, White, Black & Gold
 Nickname: Terps • 1993 Record: 2-9

MASSACHUSETTS Amherst, MA

S. 10 Richmond	29-24
S. 17 Holy Cross	37-7
S. 24 Maine+	13-17
O. 1 Rhode Island+	36-14
O. 8 New Hampshire	15-13
O. 15 William & Mary	28-45
O. 22 Delaware	43-29
O. 29 Boston University+	9-28
N. 5 Northeastern+	21-17
N. 12 Youngstown State+	
N. 19 Connecticut+	20-17

Coach: Mike Hodges • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Minutemen • 1993 Record: 8-3

MCNEESE STATE Lake Charles, LA

S. 3 Illinois State+*	27-37
S. 10 Jacksonville State+*	
S. 17 Central Arkansas+*	
S. 24 Northern Iowa	27-10
O. 1 Youngstown State*	
O. 15 North Texas	18-17
O. 22 Sam Houston State	37-14
O. 29 Stephen F. Austin+*	21-20
N. 5 SW Texas State+*	27-10
N. 12 Northwestern State*	34-7
N. 19 Nicholls State+*	27-0

Coach: Bobby Keasler • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Cowboys • 1993 Record: 10-3

MEMPHIS Memphis, TN

S. 3 Mississippi State+	45-35
S. 10 Tulsa	19-23
S. 17 Southern Mississippi	20-9
S. 24 Arkansas+	6-0
O. 8 Tulane+	
O. 15 Arkansas State+	45-3
O. 22 Cincinnati+	20-23
O. 29 Louisville	28-54
N. 5 Mississippi	19-3
N. 12 Tennessee	
N. 19 East Carolina+	34-7

Coach: Chuck Stobart • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 6-5

MIAMI Coral Gables, FL

S. 3 Georgia Southern+	30-7
S. 10 Arizona State	
S. 24 Washington+	
O. 1 Rutgers	31-17
O. 8 Florida State+	10-28
O. 22 West Virginia	14-17
O. 29 Virginia Tech+	21-2
N. 5 Syracuse	49-0
N. 12 Pittsburgh+	35-7
N. 19 Temple	42-7
N. 26 Boston College+	23-7

Coach: Dennis Erickson
 Colors: Orange, Green & White
 Nickname: Hurricanes • 1993 Record: 9-3

MIAMI Oxford, OH

S. 3 Western Michigan+	0-17
S. 10 Indiana	
S. 17 Cincinnati+	23-30
S. 24 Michigan State	
O. 1 Eastern Michigan	7-15
O. 8 Akron+	13-31
O. 15 Ohio University	20-22
O. 22 Central Michigan	24-21
O. 29 Bowling Green	25-30
N. 5 Ball State+	0-21
N. 12 Kent+	23-14

Coach: Randy Walker • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Redskins • 1993 Record: 4-7

MICHIGAN Ann Arbor, MI

S. 3 Boston College+	
S. 10 Notre Dame	23-27
S. 24 Colorado+	
O. 1 Iowa	24-7
O. 8 Michigan State+	7-17
O. 15 Penn State+	21-13
O. 22 Illinois	21-24
O. 29 Wisconsin+	10-13
N. 5 Purdue	25-10
N. 12 Minnesota+	58-7
N. 19 Ohio State	28-0

Coach: Gary Moeller • Colors: Maize & Blue
 Nickname: Wolverines • 1993 Record: 8-4

MICHIGAN STATE East Lansing, MI

S. 10 Kansas	31-14
S. 17 Notre Dame+	14-36
S. 24 Miami (OH)+	
O. 1 Wisconsin+	20-41
O. 8 Michigan	17-7
O. 15 Ohio State+	21-28
O. 22 Iowa	24-10
O. 29 Indiana+	0-10
N. 5 Northwestern	31-29
N. 12 Purdue+	27-24
N. 26 Penn State	37-38

Coach: George Perles • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Spartans • 1993 Record: 6-6

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE Murfreesboro, TN

S. 3 Tennessee State*	33-34
S. 10 James Madison*	
S. 24 Murray State*	45-3
O. 1 Eastern Kentucky+*	27-33
O. 8 UT-Martin+	14-24
O. 15 Morehead State+	45-0
O. 22 SE Missouri	31-10
O. 29 Jacksonville State+	
N. 5 Austin Peay	44-10
N. 12 Illinois State+	
N. 19 Tennessee Tech+	14-35

Coach: Boots Donnelly • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Blue Raiders • 1993 Record: 5-6

MINNESOTA Minneapolis, MN

S. 3 Penn State+	20-38
S. 10 Pacific+	
S. 17 San Diego State+	17-48
S. 24 Kansas State	25-30
O. 1 Indiana	19-23
O. 8 Purdue	59-56
O. 15 Northwestern+	28-26
O. 22 Wisconsin	28-21
N. 5 Illinois+	20-23
N. 12 Michigan	7-58
N. 19 Iowa+	3-21

Coach: Jim Wacker • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Gophers • 1993 Record: 4-7

MISSISSIPPI University, MS

S. 3 Auburn+	12-16
S. 10 Southern Illinois+	
S. 17 Vanderbilt*	49-7
S. 24 Georgia	31-14
O. 1 Florida+	
O. 15 Arkansas	19-0
O. 22 Alabama	14-19
O. 29 Louisiana State+	17-19
N. 5 Memphis State+	3-19
N. 12 Tulane*	
N. 26 Mississippi State+	13-20

Coach: Billy Brewer
 Colors: Cardinal Red & Navy Blue
 Nickname: Rebels • 1993 Record: 5-6

MISSISSIPPI STATE Starkville, MS

S. 3 Memphis State*	35-45
S. 10 Louisiana State*	16-18
S. 24 Tennessee+	
O. 1 Arkansas State+	15-15
O. 8 Auburn+	17-31
O. 15 South Carolina	23-0
O. 22 Tulane+	36-10
O. 29 Kentucky	17-26
N. 5 Arkansas+	13-13
N. 12 Alabama+	25-36
N. 26 Mississippi	20-13

Coach: Jackie Sherrill • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 3-6-2

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Itta Bena, MS

S. 3 Howard @	
S. 10 Lane College #*	36-22
S. 17 Southern*	13-14
O. 24 Jackson State*	7-7
O. 8 Grambling+	19-28
O. 15 Alabama-Birmingham	13-30
O. 22 Texas Southern	41-27
N. 29 Prairie View A&M+	42-6
N. 5 Alcorn State+	20-28
N. 12 Alabama State	14-14

@ At St. Louis, Mo
 # At Tupelo, MS

Coach: Larry Dorsey • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Delta Devils • 1993 Record: 4-4-2

MISSOURI Columbia, MO

S. 3 Tulsa+	
S. 10 Illinois	31-3
S. 17 Houston*	
O. 1 West Virginia+	3-35
O. 8 Colorado+	18-30
O. 15 Oklahoma State	42-9
O. 22 Nebraska+	7-49
O. 29 Iowa State	37-34
N. 5 Oklahoma	23-42
N. 12 Kansas State+	21-31
N. 19 Kansas+	0-28
N. 26 Hawaii	

Coach: Larry Smith • Colors: Old Gold & Black
 Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 3-7-1

MONMOUTH West Long Branch, NJ

S. 10 Robert Morris	
S. 17 Pace+	
S. 24 St. John's	
O. 1 Wagner	7-13
O. 8 St. Francis (PA)+	14-25
O. 22 Upsala+	
O. 29 Sacred Heart	0-12
N. 5 Stonehill+	8-13
N. 12 Central Connecticut State	

Coach: Kevin Callahan • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Hawks • 1993 Record: 2-5

MONTANA Missoula, MT

S. 3 Sonoma State+	
S. 10 Carson Newman+	
S. 17 Eastern Washington+	35-20
S. 24 North Texas	
O. 1 Cal Poly-SLO+	
O. 8 Northern Arizona+	38-23
O. 22 Weber State	45-17
O. 29 Idaho+	54-34
N. 5 Boise State	38-24
N. 12 Idaho State*	28-16
N. 19 Montana State+	42-30

Coach: Dan Read • Colors: Copper, Silver & Gold
 Nickname: Grizzlies • 1993 Record: 10-2

MONTANA STATE Bozeman, MT

S. 3 Minnesota-Duluth+	
S. 10 Stephen F. Austin*	
S. 17 Weber State	14-10
S. 24 Northern Arizona+	20-23
O. 1 Sacramento State*	
O. 8 Idaho State+	25-24
O. 15 Idaho	40-35
O. 22 Boise State+	42-21
O. 29 Eastern Kentucky	7-16
N. 5 Western New Mexico+	
N. 19 Montana	30-42

Coach: Cliff Hysell • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Bobcats • 1993 Record: 7-4

MOREHEAD STATE Morehead, KY

S. 3 Marshall*	0-56
S. 10 East Tennessee+	
S. 15 Tennessee State+	0-15
S. 24 Tennessee Tech+	3-21
O. 1 Charleston Southern+	23-21
O. 15 Middle Tennessee St.	0-45
O. 22 Austin Peay	23-10
O. 29 Alabama-Birmingham+	14-52
N. 5 Murray State+	0-39
N. 12 UT-Martin	0-17
N. 19 Eastern Kentucky	7-44

Coach: Matt Ballard • Colors: Blue & Orange
 Nickname: Eagles • 1993 Record: 3-8

MORGAN STATE Baltimore, MD

S. 10 Belhune Cookman+	2-0
S. 24 Knoxville College+	28-32
O. 1 Charleston Southern+	54-20
O. 8 South Carolina State	13-49
O. 15 North Carolina A&T	33-49
O. 22 Delaware State+	42-65
O. 29 Florida A&M	14-41
N. 5 Samford+	
N. 12 Howard	37-66
N. 19 Towson State	12-56

Coach: Ricky Diggs • Colors: Blue & Orange
 Nickname: Golden Bears • 1993 Record: 3-8

MURRAY STATE Murray, KY

S. 1 Eastern Illinois*	17-36
S. 17 Southeast Missouri*	17-14
S. 24 Middle Tennessee St.+*	3-45
O. 1 UT-Martin+	26-21
O. 8 Austin Peay*	38-16
O. 15 Eastern Kentucky	13-21
O. 29 Tennessee Tech+	16-31
N. 5 Morehead State	39-0
N. 12 Tennessee State+	13-26
N. 19 Western Kentucky+	14-44

Coach: Houston Nutt • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Racers • 1993 Record: 4-7

NAVY Annapolis, MD

S. 3 San Diego State*	
S. 10 Virginia+	0-38
S. 17 Bowling Green	27-20
O. 1 Duke+	
O. 8 Air Force	26-24
O. 15 Lafayette+	
O. 22 Louisville	0-28
O. 29 Notre Dame	27-58
N. 5 Tulane*	25-27
N. 19 Rice+	
O. 3 Army @	14-16

@ At Philadelphia, PA

Coach: George Champ • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Midshipmen • 1993 Record: 4-7

NEBRASKA Lincoln, NE

A. 28 West Virginia @	
S. 8 Texas Tech*	50-27
S. 17 UCLA+	14-13
S. 24 Pacific+	
O. 1 Wyoming+	
O. 8 Oklahoma State+	27-13
O. 15 Kansas State	45-28
O. 22 Missouri	49-7
O. 29 Colorado+	21-17
N. 5 Kansas+	21-20
N. 12 Iowa State	49-17
N. 25 Oklahoma	21-7

@ At East Rutherford, NJ

Coach: Tom Osborne • Colors: Scarlet & Cream
 Nickname: Cornhuskers • 1993 Record: 11-1

NEVADA Reno, NV

S. 3 Northern Arizona+	
S. 10 Arkansas State+	21-23
S. 17 Boise State*	38-10
S. 24 NE Louisiana+	
O. 1 Northern Illinois	42-46
O. 8 Pacific+	31-23
O. 15 New Mexico State+	34-14
O. 22 San Jose State*	46-45
N. 5 Fresno State*	
N. 12 Utah State+	48-44
N. 19 Nevada-Las Vegas	49-14

Coach: Chris Ault • Colors: Blue & Silver
 Nickname: Wolf Pack • 1993 Record: 7-4

NEVADA-LAS VEGAS Las Vegas, NV

S. 3 Eastern Michigan+	
S. 10 Central Michigan	33-20
S. 17 Idaho+	
S. 24 Utah State	26-33
O. 1 New Mexico State	40-52
O. 8 Louisiana Tech+	28-23
O. 15 Tulsa	
O. 29 San Jose State+	28-14
N. 5 SW Louisiana	14-31
N. 19 Nevada+	14-49
N. 26 Kansas State+	20-36

Coach: Jeff Horton • Colors: Scarlet & Gray
 Nickname: Rebels • 1993 Record: 3-8

NEW HAMPSHIRE Durham, NH

S. 10 Northeastern	21-6
S. 17 James Madison+	21-45
S. 24 Connecticut+	23-24 (207)
O. 1 Hofstra	
O. 8 Massachusetts+	13-15
O. 15 Lehigh+	
O. 22 Maine	63-13
O. 29 Rhode Island	51-33
N. 5 Richmond	31-20
N. 12 Villanova+	45-14
N. 19 Boston University	14-24

Coach: Bill Bowes • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 6-5

NEW MEXICO Albuquerque, NM

S. 3 Texas Tech	
S. 10 Texas Christian+	34-35
S. 17 Southern Methodist*	
S. 24 Brigham Young	31-34
O. 1 Colorado State+	20-21
O. 8 Hawaii*	41-14
O. 15 San Diego State+	17-20
O. 22 New Mexico State	42-7
O. 29 Fresno State	24-41
N. 5 Utah+	42-35
N. 12 Wyoming	10-7
N. 19 Texas-El Paso+	35-29

Coach: Dennis Franchione • Colors: Cherry & Silver
 Nickname: Lobos • 1993 Record: 6-5

NEW MEXICO STATE Las Cruces, NM

S. 3 Florida	
S. 10 Arizona*	
S. 17 Texas-El Paso*	31-14
S. 24 Arkansas State+	22-19
O. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas*	52-40
O. 8 Northern Illinois	24-17
O. 15 Nevada	14-34
O. 22 New Mexico+	7-42
N. 5 San Jose State*	13-52
N. 12 Pacific+	27-23
N. 19 Utah State	17-20

Coach: Jim Hess • Colors: Crimson & White
 Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 5-6

NICHOLLS STATE Thibodaux, LA

S. 3 Connecticut	
S. 10 Livingston+	42-51
S. 17 Northwestern State+*	21-35
O. 1 Samford*	6-21
O. 8 Troy State*	17-24
O. 15 Stephen F. Austin+	21-35
O. 22 SW Texas State*	63-37
O. 29 Southern+*	28-14
N. 5 Sam Houston State*	20-19
N. 12 North Texas+	21-63
N. 19 McNeese State+*	0-27

Coach: Rick Rhoades • Colors: Red & Gray
 Nickname: Colonels • 1993 Record: 3-8

NORTH CAROLINA Chapel Hill, NC

S. 3 Texas Christian+	
S. 17 Tulane+	42-10
S. 24 Florida State	7-33
O. 1 Southern Methodist*	
S. 8 Georgia Tech+	42-3
O. 15 Maryland+	59-42
O. 22 Virginia	10-17
O. 29 North Carolina St.+	35-14
N. 5 Clemson+	24-0
N. 12 Wake Forest	45-35
N. 19 Duke	38-24

Coach: Mack Brown • Colors: Carolina Blue & White
 Nickname: Tar Heels • 1993 Record: 10-3

NORTH CAROLINA A&T Greensboro, NC

S. 3 North Carolina Central	49-21
S. 10 Winston-Salem State+	22-10
S. 17 Appalachian State	41-13
S. 24 Jacksonville State+	49-33
O. 1 Southern @	35-41
O. 8 Florida A&M*	29-14
O. 15 Morgan State+	19-25
O. 22 Howard	52-58
O. 29 Bethune-Cookman+	
N. 5 Delaware State	
N. 19 South Carolina St. +	

@ At Indianapolis, IN

Coach: Bill Hayes • Colors: Blue & Gold
Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 8-3**NORTH CAROLINA STATE** Raleigh, NC

S. 1 Bowling Green+*	14-20
S. 10 Clemson	28-23
S. 24 Western Carolina+	34-16
O. 1 Georgia Tech	14-35
O. 8 Louisville	44-21
O. 15 Wake Forest+	20-21
O. 29 North Carolina	3-62
N. 5 Maryland	
N. 12 Duke+	
N. 19 Florida State+	

Coach: Mike O'Caill • Colors: Red & White
Nickname: Wolfpack • 1993 Record: 7-5**NORTHEASTERN** Boston, MA

S. 3 Boise State*	6-21
S. 10 New Hampshire+	13-15
S. 17 Rhode Island+	21-24
S. 24 Richmond+	6-53
O. 8 William & Mary	14-17
O. 15 Boston University	27-3
O. 22 Villanova+	23-28
O. 29 Delaware	17-21
N. 5 Massachusetts	34-20
N. 12 Maine+	21-52
N. 19 James Madison	

Coach: Barry Gallup • Colors: Red & Black
Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 2-9**NORTHEAST LOUISIANA** Monroe, LA

S. 3 Colorado	31-27
S. 10 Auburn	32-15
S. 17 Georgia	23-20
S. 24 Nevada	23-9
O. 1 Weber State+*	23-38
O. 8 Wyoming	26-38
O. 15 Central Florida+*	27-31
O. 22 Jacksonville State+*	28-67
N. 5 Brigham Young	
N. 12 Kentucky	
N. 19 North Texas+	61-31

Coach: Ed Zaubrecher • Colors: Maroon & Gold
Nickname: Indians • 1993 Record: 9-3**NORTHERN ARIZONA** Flagstaff, AZ

S. 3 Nevada	31-27
S. 10 Southern Utah*	32-15
S. 17 Idaho State+*	23-20
S. 24 Montana State	23-9
O. 1 Boise State+*	23-38
O. 8 Montana	26-38
O. 15 Eastern Washington+*	27-31
O. 22 Idaho	28-67
O. 29 Weber State+*	
N. 5 Cal Poly-SLO+*	
N. 12 Northridge State*	23-9

Coach: Steve Axman • Colors: Blue & Gold
Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1993 Record: 7-4**NORTHERN ILLINOIS** DeKalb, IL

S. 1 Oklahoma State+*	19-33
S. 10 SW Louisiana*	23-20
S. 17 Illinois	23-9
S. 24 Eastern Illinois+*	23-38
O. 1 Nevada+	46-42
O. 8 New Mexico State+	17-24
O. 15 Pacific*	21-16
O. 22 Louisiana Tech+	16-17
O. 29 Vanderbilt	23-27
N. 5 Arkansas State	
N. 12 Arkansas+	

Coach: Charlie Sadler • Colors: Cardinal & Black
Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 4-7**NORTHERN IOWA** Cedar Falls, IA

S. 3 Iowa State	34-13
S. 10 SW Texas State*	20-14
S. 17 SW Missouri State+*	10-27
S. 24 McNeese State+	17-10
O. 1 Indiana State	31-27
O. 8 Eastern Illinois	20-19
O. 22 Illinois State+*	23-25
O. 29 Western Illinois+*	
N. 5 Idaho	
N. 12 Southern Illinois	49-17
N. 19 Eastern Washington+*	

Coach: Terry Allen • Colors: Purple & Old Gold
Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 8-4**NORTH TEXAS** Denton, TX

S. 1 Abilene Christian+	33-13
S. 10 SW Missouri State	34-33
S. 24 Montana+	
O. 1 Oklahoma State	35-28
O. 8 SW Texas State	17-18
O. 15 McNeese State+	37-38
O. 22 Northwestern State	14-24
O. 29 Sam Houston State+	27-29
N. 5 Stephen F. Austin	63-21
N. 12 Nicholls State	31-61
N. 19 Northeast Louisiana	

Coach: Matt Simon • Colors: Green & White
Nickname: Eagles • 1993 Record: 4-7**NORTHWESTERN** Evanston, IL

S. 3 Notre Dame @*	12-27
S. 10 Stanford+	
S. 17 Air Force	3-51
O. 1 Ohio State+	14-53
O. 8 Wisconsin+	26-28
O. 15 Minnesota*	0-24
O. 22 Indiana	13-20
O. 29 Illinois+	29-31
N. 5 Michigan State+	19-23
N. 12 Iowa	21-43
N. 19 Penn State	

@ At Chicago, IL

Coach: Gary Barnett • Colors: Purple & White
Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 2-9**NORTHWESTERN STATE** Natchitoches, LA

S. 3 Northwestern @*	13-30
S. 10 Delta State+*	35-21
S. 17 Nicholls State*	30-19
O. 24 East Texas State+*	14-21
O. 1 Troy State+*	34-27
O. 15 Sam Houston State+*	38-37
O. 22 North Texas+	15-22
O. 29 SW Texas State	7-34
N. 5 Louisiana Tech*	20-51
N. 12 McNeese State+*	
N. 19 Stephen F. Austin	

Coach: Sam Goodwin • Colors: Purple & White
Nickname: Demons • 1993 Record: 5-6**NOTRE DAME** Notre Dame, IN

S. 3 Northwestern @	27-12
S. 10 Michigan+	27-23
S. 17 Michigan State	36-14
S. 24 Purdue+	17-0
O. 1 Stanford+	48-20
O. 8 Boston College	39-41
O. 15 Brigham Young+	45-20
O. 29 Navy+	58-27
N. 12 Florida State #	31-24
N. 19 Air Force+	31-13
N. 26 Southern Cal	

@ At Chicago, IL

At Orlando, FL

Coach: Lou Holtz • Colors: Gold & Blue
Nickname: Fighting Irish • 1993 Record: 11-1**OHIO STATE** Columbus, OH

S. 10 Washington	21-12
S. 17 Pittsburgh+	63-28
S. 24 Houston+	
O. 1 Northwestern	51-3
O. 8 Illinois+	20-12
O. 15 Michigan State	28-21
O. 22 Purdue+	45-20
O. 29 Penn State	24-6
N. 5 Wisconsin+	14-14
N. 12 Indiana	23-17
N. 19 Michigan+	0-28

Coach: John Cooper • Colors: Scarlet & Gray
Nickname: Buckeyes • 1992 Record: 10-1-1**OHIO UNIVERSITY** Athens, OH

S. 10 Pittsburgh*	16-24
S. 17 Utah State+	10-28
S. 24 Ball State	0-20
O. 1 Toledo+	22-20
O. 8 Bowling Green	15-10
O. 15 Miami (OH)+	0-38
O. 22 Kent	28-34
O. 29 Central Michigan+	12-10
N. 5 Western Michigan+	21-13
N. 12 Eastern Michigan+	
N. 19 Akron	

Coach: Tom Lichtenberg • Colors: Kelly Green & White
Nickname: Bobcats • 1993 Record: 4-7**OKLAHOMA** Norman, OK

S. 3 Syracuse	44-14
S. 10 Texas A&M	17-18
S. 17 Texas Tech+	24-7
O. 1 Iowa State+	38-17
O. 8 Texas@	10-27
O. 15 Colorado	38-23
O. 22 Kansas	7-21
O. 29 Kansas State+	42-23
N. 5 Missouri+	31-0
N. 12 Oklahoma State	7-21
N. 25 Nebraska+	

Coach: Gary Gibbs • Colors: Crimson & Cream
Nickname: Sooners • 1993 Record: 9-3**OKLAHOMA STATE** Stillwater, OK

S. 3 Northern Illinois	16-10
S. 17 Baylor	13-27
S. 24 Tulsa+	9-42
O. 1 North Texas State+	17-20
O. 8 Nebraska	6-13
O. 15 Missouri+	14-31
O. 22 Iowa State+	0-31
O. 29 Kansas	17-21
N. 5 Colorado	
N. 12 Oklahoma+	
N. 19 Kansas State	

Coach: Pat Jones • Colors: Orange & Black
Nickname: Cowboys • 1993 Record: 3-8**OREGON** Eugene, OR

S. 3 Portland State+	13-24
S. 10 Hawaii*	46-23
S. 17 Utah+	41-42
S. 24 Iowa+	6-21
O. 1 Southern Cal	10-31
O. 8 Washington State	45-36
O. 15 California+	34-38
O. 22 Washington+	12-15
O. 29 Arizona+	
N. 5 Arizona State+	
N. 12 Stanford	
N. 19 Oregon State	

Coach: Rich Brooks • Colors: Green & Yellow
Nickname: Ducks • 1993 Record: 5-6**OREGON STATE** Corvallis, OR

S. 3 Arizona State*	30-14
S. 10 Wyoming+	27-16
S. 17 Fresno State*	30-48
S. 1 Arizona*	0-33
O. 8 Southern Cal+	9-34
O. 15 UCLA	17-20
O. 22 Stanford+	27-51
O. 29 Washington	21-28
N. 5 Pacific+	42-7
N. 12 Washington State+	6-51
N. 19 Oregon+	15-12

Coach: Jerry Pettibone • Colors: Orange & Black
Nickname: Beavers • 1993 Record: 4-7**PACIFIC** Stockton, CA

S. 3 UC Davis+*	23-31
S. 10 Minnesota*	16-21
S. 17 SW Texas State+*	20-6
S. 24 Nebraska	21-24
O. 8 Nevada	7-42
O. 15 Northern Illinois+*	23-27
O. 22 Arkansas State*	24-20
O. 29 Utah State+	
N. 5 Oregon State	
N. 12 New Mexico State*	
N. 19 San Jose State+	

Coach: Chuck Shelton • Colors: Orange & Black
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 3-8**PENN STATE** University, PA

S. 3 Minnesota	38-20
S. 10 Southern Cal+	21-20
S. 17 Iowa+	31-0
S. 24 Rutgers+	31-7
O. 1 Temple	13-21
O. 15 Michigan	6-24
O. 29 Ohio State+	38-31
N. 5 Indiana	28-14
N. 12 Illinois	43-21
N. 19 Northwestern+	38-37
N. 26 Michigan State+	

Coach: Joe Paterno • Colors: Blue & White
Nickname: Nittany Lions • 1993 Record: 10-2**PENNSYLVANIA** Philadelphia, PA

S. 17 Lafayette+	10-6
S. 24 Dartmouth	36-7
O. 1 Richmond	34-9
O. 8 Holy Cross+	48-7
O. 15 Columbia+	30-14
O. 22 Brown	27-20
O. 29 Yale+	17-14
N. 5 Princeton	
N. 12 Harvard+	
N. 19 Cornell	

Coach: Al Bagnoli • Colors: Red & Blue
Nickname: Quakers • 1993 Record: 10-0**PITTSBURGH** Pittsburgh, PA

S. 3 Texas+	28-63
S. 10 Ohio University+*	0-33
S. 17 Ohio State	7-29
S. 24 Boston College+	21-24
O. 1 Louisville	21-42
O. 8 Syracuse	21-61
O. 15 West Virginia+	28-18
O. 22 Virginia Tech	7-35
O. 29 Temple+	21-10
N. 12 Miami	
N. 19 Rutgers+	

Coach: John Majors • Colors: Blue & Gold
Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 3-8**PRAIRIE VIEW A&M** Prairie View, TX

S. 3 Texas Southern*	8-38
S. 10 Arkansas-Pine Bluff*	8-12
S. 17 Langston*	8-45
O. 1 Grambling @	0-49
O. 8 Southern #*	6-46
O. 15 Alcorn State+	10-31
O. 22 Alabama State+	6-37
O. 29 Mississippi Valley St.	6-42
N. 5 Tarleton State*	7-37
N. 12 Jackson State*	12-58
N. 19 Alabama-Birmingham+	

@ At Dallas, TX

At Houston, TX

Coach: Ronald Beard • Colors: Purple & Gold
Nickname: Panthers • 1993 Record: 0-11**PRINCETON** Princeton, NJ

S. 17 Cornell	18-12
S. 24 Colgate+	
O. 1 Bucknell+	34-16
O. 8 Brown+	
O. 15 Fordham	21-10
O. 22 Harvard+	14-3
O. 29 Columbia	14-30
N. 5 Pennsylvania+	28-7
N. 12 Yale	22-28
N. 19 Dartmouth+	

Coach: Steve Tosches • Colors: Orange & Blue
Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 8-2**PURDUE** West Lafayette, IN

S. 10 Toledo+*	0-17
S. 17 Ball State+	10-28
S. 24 Notre Dame	56-59
O. 1 Illinois	28-42
O. 8 Minnesota+	24-45
O. 15 Wisconsin	17-26
O. 22 Ohio State	10-25
O. 29 Iowa+	24-27
N. 5 Michigan+	17-24
N. 12 Michigan State	
N. 19 Indiana+	

Coach: Jim Coletto • Colors: Old Gold & Black
Nickname: Boilermakers • 1992 Record: 1-10

RHODE ISLAND Kingston, RI

S. 3 William & Mary+	
S. 10 Maine	23-26
S. 17 Northeastern	15-13
S. 24 Brown+	30-7
O. 1 Massachusetts	14-36
O. 8 Boston University+	15-48
O. 22 Connecticut	9-41
O. 29 New Hampshire+	33-51
N. 5 Hofstra	37-32
N. 12 Delaware State+	
N. 19 Delaware	11-32

Coach: Floyd Keith • Colors: Blue, White & Gold
 Nickname: Rams • 1993 Record: 3-8

RICE Houston, TX

S. 10 Tulane	34-0
S. 17 Kansas State	
S. 24 Iowa State	49-21
O. 1 Texas+	38-55
O. 8 Texas Christian	34-19
O. 15 Texas Tech+	16-45
O. 22 Texas A&M	10-38
N. 5 Southern Methodist+	31-24
N. 12 Baylor+	14-38
N. 19 Navy	
N. 26 Houston	37-7

Coach: Ken Hatfield • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Owls • 1993 Record: 6-5

RICHMOND Richmond, VA

S. 3 VMI	38-14
S. 10 Massachusetts+	24-29
S. 17 Connecticut	3-21
S. 24 Northeastern	24-21
O. 1 Villanova	21-7
O. 8 Maine+	17-14
O. 15 Delaware	10-48
O. 22 Boston University	14-44
N. 29 James Madison+	20-13
N. 5 New Hampshire+	20-13
N. 19 William & Mary+	17-31

Coach: Jim Marshall • Colors: Blue & Red
 Nickname: Spiders • 1993 Record: 5-6

ROBERT MORRIS Coraopolis, PA

S. 3 Waynesburg	
S. 10 Monmouth+	
S. 17 Central Connecticut State	
S. 24 Gannon+	
O. 8 Duquesne+	
O. 15 Wagner	
O. 29 St. Francis (PA)	
N. 5 Bethany+	
N. 12 Mercyhurst	

Coach: Joe Walton • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Colonials • 1993 Record: 0-0

RUTGERS New Brunswick, NJ

S. 3 Kent+	
S. 10 West Virginia+	22-58
S. 17 Syracuse	18-31
O. 24 Penn State	7-31
O. 1 Miami+	17-31
O. 8 Army+	45-38
O. 15 Cincinnati+	
O. 22 Boston College	21-31
N. 5 Temple+	62-0
N. 12 Virginia Tech	42-49
N. 19 Pittsburgh	10-21

Coach: Doug Graber • Colors: Scarlet
 Nickname: Scarlet Knights • 1993 Record: 4-7

SACRAMENTO STATE Sacramento, CA

S. 10 San Francisco State+	49-10
S. 17 Stephen F. Austin	
S. 24 Chico State	
O. 1 Montana State+	
O. 8 UC Davis+	32-47
O. 22 Portland State	
O. 29 Southern Utah	17-23
N. 5 St. Mary's	14-27
N. 12 Cal Poly-SLO+	35-33
N. 19 Northridge State+	31-30

Coach: Mike Clemmons • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Hornets • 1993 Record: 4-6

SAINT FRANCIS Loretto, PA

S. 3 Gannon	0-20
S. 10 Duquesne	34-35
S. 17 Sacred Heart+	16-14
S. 24 Bethany+	
O. 1 Mercyhurst+	26-39
O. 8 Monmouth+	25-14
O. 22 Central Connecticut	29-27
O. 29 Robert Morris+	
N. 5 Marist	7-16
N. 12 Wagner+	21-31

Coach: Frank Pergolizzi • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Red Flash • 1993 Record: 3-7

ST. JOHN'S Jamaica, NY

S. 10 Sacred Heart	30-0
S. 24 Monmouth+	
O. 1 Marist	31-30
O. 8 Georgetown+	25-24
O. 15 Canisius	18-23
O. 22 St. Peter's	29-28
O. 29 Siena+	26-6
N. 5 Duquesne+	37-12
N. 12 Iona	30-42
N. 24 Pace+	44-16

Coach: Bob Ricca • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Red Storm • 1994 Record: 8-3

SAINT MARY'S Morea, CA

S. 3 San Francisco State+	27-6
S. 10 San Diego+	
S. 17 Sonoma State+	44-23
S. 24 UC Davis+	21-28
O. 1 Humboldt State	21-0
O. 8 Chico State+	27-15
O. 15 Northridge State+	
O. 22 Southern Utah	35-35
O. 29 Cal Poly-SLO	37-58
N. 5 Sacramento State+	27-14

Coach: Mike Rasmussen • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Gaels • 1993 Record: 6-3-1

ST. PETER'S Jersey City, NJ

S. 17 Siena+	31-0
S. 24 Duquesne+	
O. 1 Central Connecticut+	7-9
O. 8 Marist+	
O. 15 Iona	26-35
O. 22 St. John's+	28-29
O. 29 Canisius	20-29
N. 5 Wagner	
N. 12 Georgetown	14-26

Coach: Mark Collins • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Peacocks • 1993 Record: 3-7

SAMFORD Birmingham, AL

S. 3 Bethel College+	
S. 10 Eastern Kentucky	
S. 17 Tennessee Tech	30-3
O. 1 Nicholls State+	21-6
O. 8 Central Florida+	17-48
O. 15 Mississippi College+	14-21
O. 22 Southern Mississippi	
O. 29 Alcorn State+	
N. 5 Morgan State	
N. 12 Austin Peay+	
N. 19 Troy State	24-52

Coach: Pete Hurt • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 5-6

SAM HOUSTON STATE Huntsville, TX

S. 3 Jacksonville State	
S. 10 SE Missouri State+	40-7
S. 17 Angelo State+	
S. 24 Alcorn State+	24-31
O. 1 Texas Southern+	
O. 8 Stephen F. Austin	20-24
O. 15 Northwestern State	27-34
O. 22 McNeese State+	14-37
O. 29 North Texas	24-14
N. 5 Nicholls State+	19-20
N. 19 SW Texas State+	35-10

Coach: Ron Randleman • Colors: Orange & White
 Nickname: Bearcats • 1993 Record: 4-7

SAN DIEGO San Diego, CA

S. 3 Menlo College	32-7
S. 10 St. Mary's+	
S. 17 Drake	14-17
S. 24 Cal Lutheran+	27-21
O. 1 Valparaiso+	25-35
O. 8 Wagner College	44-14
O. 15 Evansville+	21-27
O. 22 Butler	28-27
N. 5 Azusa Pacific	24-21
N. 12 Dayton+	7-30

Coach: Brian Fogarty • Colors: Navy Blue & White
 Nickname: Toreros • 1993 Record: 6-4

SAN DIEGO STATE San Diego, CA

S. 3 Navy+	
S. 10 California+	25-45
S. 17 Minnesota+	48-17
S. 24 Colorado State	30-3
O. 1 Air Force+	38-31
O. 8 Utah+	41-45
S. 15 New Mexico	20-17
O. 22 Wyoming	38-43
O. 29 Hawaii+	45-14
N. 10 Brigham Young	44-45
N. 26 Fresno State+	37-63

Coach: Ted Tollner • Colors: Scarlet & Black
 Nickname: Aztecs • 1993 Record: 6-6

SAN JOSE STATE San Jose, CA

S. 3 Fresno State	
S. 10 Baylor+	
S. 17 Stanford	28-31
S. 24 SW Louisiana+	13-24
O. 1 California	13-46
O. 8 Washington	17-52
O. 22 Nevada+	45-46
O. 29 Nevada-Las Vegas	14-28
N. 5 New Mexico State+	52-13
N. 12 Louisiana Tech	31-6
N. 19 Pacific	20-24

Coach: John Ralston • Colors: Gold, White & Blue
 Nickname: Spartans • 1993 Record: 2-9

SIENA Loudonville, NY

S. 17 St. Peter's	0-31
S. 24 Canisius	19-31
O. 1 Iona	21-54
O. 8 Rensselaer+	6-56
O. 15 Bentley+	14-47
O. 22 Duquesne+	
O. 29 St. John's	6-28
N. 5 Georgetown+	6-35
N. 12 Marist+	0-28

Coach: Jack DuBois • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Saints • 1993 Record: 0-10

SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia, SC

S. 3 Georgia+	23-21
S. 10 Arkansas+	17-18
S. 17 Louisiana Tech+	34-3
S. 24 Kentucky	17-21
O. 1 Louisiana State	
O. 8 East Carolina+	27-3
O. 15 Mississippi State+	0-23
O. 22 Vanderbilt	22-0
O. 29 Tennessee+	3-55
N. 12 Florida	26-37
N. 19 Clemson	13-16

Coach: Brad Scott • Colors: Garnet & Black
 Nickname: Gamecocks • 1993 Record: 4-7

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

Orangeburg, SC	
S. 3 Winston-Salem St.+	
S. 10 Furman	
S. 17 Charleston Southern	44-10
S. 24 Tennessee State @	
O. 1 Jackson State #	34-33
O. 8 Morgan State+	49-13
O. 16 Bethune-Cookman+	40-27
O. 22 Florida A&M \$	17-21
O. 29 Delaware State	38-15
N. 5 Howard+	14-30
N. 19 North Carolina A&T	58-52

@ At Atlanta, GA
 # At Columbia, SC
 \$ At Orlando, FL

Coach: Willie Jeffries • Colors: Garnet & Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 8-3

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

Cape Girardeau, MO	
S. 1 Kentucky State+	45-14
S. 10 Sam Houston State	7-40
S. 17 Murray State+	14-17
S. 24 UT-Martin+	14-17
O. 1 Morehead State	21-23
O. 8 Tennessee Tech	3-24
O. 15 Southern Illinois	
O. 22 Middle Tennessee State+	10-31
O. 29 Austin Peay+	17-10
N. 5 Eastern Kentucky	21-35
N. 12 Hawaii	
N. 19 Tennessee State	14-13

Coach: John Mumford • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Indians • 1993 Record: 3-8

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles, CA	
S. 3 Washington+	22-17
S. 10 Penn State	20-21
S. 24 Baylor+	
O. 1 Oregon+	24-13
O. 8 Oregon State	34-9
O. 15 Stanford	45-20
O. 22 California+	42-14
N. 5 Washington State	34-3
N. 12 Arizona+	7-38
N. 19 UCLA	21-27
N. 26 Notre Dame+	13-31

Coach: John Robinson • Colors: Cardinal & Gold
 Nickname: Trojans • 1993 Record: 8-5

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS Carbondale, IL

S. 3 UT-Martin+	
S. 10 Mississippi	
S. 17 Arkansas State	6-27
O. 1 Western Illinois+	13-14
O. 8 Indiana State+	35-26
O. 15 Southeast Missouri+	
O. 22 Western Kentucky	24-51
O. 29 Illinois State	16-34
N. 5 Southwest Missouri	17-22
N. 12 Northern Iowa+	7-49
N. 19 Eastern Illinois	35-42

Coach: Shawn Watson • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Salukis • 1993 Record: 2-9

SOUTHERN METHODIST Dallas, TX

S. 3 Arkansas	6-10
S. 10 UCLA	
S. 17 New Mexico+	
S. 24 Texas Tech	24-41
O. 1 North Carolina+	
O. 8 Baylor	12-31
O. 15 Houston+	28-28
O. 22 Texas	10-37
O. 29 Texas A&M @	13-37
N. 5 Rice	24-31
N. 12 Texas Christian+	21-15
@ At San Antonio, TX	

Coach: Tom Rossley • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Mustangs • 1993 Record: 2-7-2

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Hattiesburg, MS	
S. 3 Tulane	15-17
S. 10 Virginia Tech+	
S. 17 Memphis State+	9-20
S. 24 Texas A&M+	
O. 1 East Carolina	24-16
O. 8 Alabama	0-40
O. 15 SW Louisiana+	7-13
O. 22 Samford	
O. 29 Tulsa+	30-30
N. 5 Florida	
N. 12 Louisiana State	

Coach: Jeff Bower • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1993 Record: 2-8-1

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Baton Rouge, LA	
S. 3 Northwestern State	30-13
S. 10 Alabama State+	23-14
S. 17 Mississippi Valley+	14-13
O. 1 North Carolina A&T @	
O. 8 Prairie View A&M	46-6
O. 15 Jackson State+	16-3
O. 22 Alcorn State	47-31
O. 29 Nicholls State	14-28
N. 5 Florida A&M+	26-4
N. 12 Texas Southern+	48-7
N. 26 Grambling #	31-13
@ At Indianapolis, IN # At New Orleans, LA	

Coach: Pete Richardson • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Jaguars • 1993 Record: 10-1

SOUTHERN UTAH Cedar City, UT

S. 3 Idaho+	27-31
S. 10 Northern Arizona	
S. 17 Western State+	
S. 24 Eastern New Mexico+	
O. 1 UC Davis	28-27
O. 15 Weber State+	39-43
O. 22 St. Mary's+	35-35
O. 29 Sacramento State+	23-17
N. 5 Northridge State+	20-17
N. 12 Portland State	14-24
N. 19 Cal Poly-SLO	6-38

Coach: Jack Bishop

Colors: White, Scarlet & Royal Blue

Nickname: Thunderbirds • 1993 Record: 3-7-1

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

Lafayette, LA

S. 3 Kansas State	
S. 10 Northern Illinois+	33-19
S. 17 Troy State+	
S. 24 San Jose State	24-13
O. 1 Louisiana Tech	21-17
O. 8 Arkansas State+	19-3
O. 15 Southern Mississippi	13-7
O. 22 Utah State	13-34
N. 5 Nevada-Las Vegas+	31-14
N. 12 Texas Tech	
N. 19 Western Michigan+	

Coach: Nelson Stokley • Colors: Vermilion & White

Nickname: Ragin' Cajuns • 1993 Record: 8-3

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE

Springfield, MO

S. 10 North Texas+	33-34
S. 17 Northern Iowa	14-20
S. 24 Western Illinois+	21-18
O. 1 Eastern Illinois+	13-35
O. 8 Illinois State	40-28
O. 15 Liberty+	
O. 22 Indiana State	31-21
O. 29 Central State+	
N. 5 Southern Illinois	22-17
N. 12 Tulsa	
N. 19 Jacksonville State	24-7

Coach: Jesse Branch • Colors: Maroon & White

Nickname: Bears • 1993 Record: 7-4

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE

San Marcos, TX

S. 1 Texas A&M-Kingsville+	20-14
S. 8 Northern Iowa+	13-34
S. 17 Pacific	
S. 24 Northridge State+	
O. 1 Sonoma State+	
O. 8 North Texas+	28-35
O. 22 Nicholls State+	37-63
O. 29 Northwestern State+	22-15
N. 5 McNeese State	10-27
N. 12 Stephen F. Austin+	7-29
N. 19 Sam Houston State	10-35

Coach: Jim Bob Helduser

Colors: Maroon & Gold

Nickname: Bobcats • 1993 Record: 2-9

STANFORD Stanford, CA

S. 10 Northwestern	
S. 17 San Jose State+	31-28
S. 24 Arizona+	24-27
O. 1 Notre Dame	20-48
O. 8 Arizona State	30-38
O. 15 Southern Cal+	20-45
O. 22 Oregon State	31-27
O. 29 UCLA	25-28
N. 5 Washington+	14-31
N. 12 Oregon+	38-34
N. 26 California	17-46

Coach: Bill Walsh • Colors: Cardinal & White

Nickname: Cardinal • 1993 Record: 4-7

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN Nacogdoches, TX

S. 1 Youngstown State	35-15
S. 10 Montana State+	
S. 17 Sacramento State+	
S. 24 Idaho	30-38
O. 8 Sam Houston State+	24-20
O. 15 Nicholls State	35-21
O. 22 Abilene Christian+	
O. 29 McNeese State	20-21
N. 5 North Texas+	29-27
N. 12 SW Texas State	29-7
N. 19 Northwestern State+	51-20

Coach: John Pearce • Colors: Purple & White

Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1993 Record: 8-4

SYRACUSE Syracuse, NY

S. 3 Oklahoma+	
S. 10 Cincinnati	24-21
S. 17 Rutgers+	31-18
S. 24 East Carolina	41-22
O. 1 Virginia Tech+	24-45
O. 8 Pittsburgh+	24-21
O. 22 Temple	52-3
N. 5 Miami+	0-49
N. 12 Boston College	29-33
N. 19 Maryland+	
N. 25 West Virginia	0-43

Coach: Paul Pasqualoni • Colors: Orange

Nickname: Orange • 1993 Record: 6-4-1

TEMPLE Philadelphia, PA

S. 3 Akron	7-31
S. 17 East Carolina+	
S. 24 Army	21-56
O. 1 Penn State+	
O. 8 Virginia Tech	7-55
O. 15 Boston College	14-66
O. 22 Syracuse+	3-52
O. 29 Pittsburgh	18-28
N. 5 Rutgers	0-62
N. 12 West Virginia+	7-49
N. 19 Miami	7-42

Coach: Ron Dickerson • Colors: Cherry & White

Nickname: Owls • 1993 Record: 1-10

TENNESSEE Knoxville, TN

S. 3 UCLA	
S. 10 Georgia	38-6
S. 17 Florida+	34-41
S. 24 Mississippi State	
O. 1 Washington State+	
O. 8 Arkansas+	28-14
O. 15 Alabama+	17-17
O. 29 South Carolina	55-3
N. 12 Liberty+	
O. 22 Indiana State	31-21
O. 29 Central State+	
N. 5 Southern Illinois	22-17
N. 12 Tulsa	
N. 19 Jacksonville State	24-7

Coach: Phillip Fulmer • Colors: Orange & White

Nickname: Volunteers • 1993 Record: 9-2-1

UT-CHATTANOOGA Chattanooga, TN

S. 3 Alabama	
S. 10 Alcorn State+	
S. 17 Gardner-Webb+	59-34
S. 24 Georgia Southern+	0-45
O. 1 Marshall	33-31
O. 15 VMI+	29-35
O. 22 Western Carolina	10-41
O. 29 Appalachian State+	14-39
N. 5 The Citadel	27-41
N. 12 East Tennessee State+	0-21
N. 19 Furman	45-42

Coach: Buddy Green • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold

Nickname: Moccasins • 1993 Record: 4-7

UT-MARTIN Martin, TN

S. 3 Southern Illinois	
S. 17 Lane+	
S. 24 Southeast Missouri	17-14
O. 1 Murray State	21-28 (OT)
O. 8 Middle Tennessee State	24-14
O. 15 Tennessee Tech+	3-20
O. 22 Tennessee State+	21-14
O. 28 Eastern Kentucky+	0-30
N. 5 Charleston Southern+	
N. 12 Morehead State+	17-0
N. 19 Austin Peay+	39-33(2OT)

Coach: Don McCleery • Colors: Blue, Orange & White

Nickname: Pacers • 1993 Record: 6-5

TENNESSEE STATE Nashville, TN

S. 3 Middle Tennessee St.+	34-33
S. 10 Jackson State	18-24
S. 17 Morehead State	15-0
S. 24 South Carolina St. @	
O. 1 Florida A&M+	15-23
O. 8 Eastern Kentucky	13-52
O. 15 Austin Peay+	21-16
O. 22 UT-Martin+	14-21
N. 5 Tennessee Tech	21-24
N. 12 Murray State	26-13
N. 19 SE Missouri State+	13-14

Coach: Joe Gilliam, Sr. • Colors: Blue & White

Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 4-7

TENNESSEE TECH Cookeville, TN

S. 1 Lock Haven+	45-14
S. 10 Marshall	
S. 17 Samford+	3-30
S. 24 Morehead State	21-3
O. 1 Austin Peay+	35-17
O. 8 SE Missouri State+	24-3
O. 15 UT-Martin	20-3
O. 22 Eastern Kentucky+	7-10
O. 29 Murray State	31-16
N. 5 Tennessee State+	24-21
N. 19 Middle Tennessee St.	35-14

Coach: Jim Ragland • Colors: Purple & Gold

Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1993 Record: 8-3

TEXAS Austin, TX

S. 3 Pittsburgh	
S. 10 Louisville+	10-41
S. 24 Texas Christian	24-3
O. 1 Colorado+	14-36
O. 8 Oklahoma @	17-38
O. 15 Rice	55-38
O. 22 Southern Methodist+	37-10
O. 29 Texas Tech	22-31
N. 5 Texas A&M+	9-18
N. 12 Houston+	34-16
N. 24 Baylor	38-17

@ At Dallas, TX

Coach: John Mackovic

Colors: Burnt Orange & White

Nickname: Longhorns • 1993 Record: 5-5-1

TEXAS A&M College Station, TX

S. 3 Louisiana State	24-0
S. 10 Oklahoma+	14-44
S. 24 Southern Mississippi+	
O. 1 Texas Tech+	31-6
O. 8 Houston	34-10
O. 15 Baylor+	34-17
O. 22 Rice+	38-10
O. 29 Southern Methodist @	37-13
N. 5 Texas	18-9
N. 12 Louisville	42-7
N. 19 Texas Christian+	59-3

Coach: R.C. Slocum • Colors: Maroon & White

Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 10-2

TEXAS CHRISTIAN Fort Worth, TX

S. 3 North Carolina	
S. 10 New Mexico	35-34
S. 17 Kansas+	
S. 24 Texas+	3-24
O. 1 Baylor+	38-13
O. 15 Tulane	14-7
O. 22 Houston	28-10
O. 29 Rice+	19-34
N. 12 Southern Methodist	15-21
N. 19 Texas A&M	3-59
N. 25 Texas Tech+	21-49

Coach: Pat Sullivan • Colors: Purple & White

Nickname: Horned Frogs • 1993 Record: 4-7

TEXAS-EL PASO El Paso, TX

S. 3 Wyoming	26-33
S. 10 Eastern Illinois+	
S. 17 New Mexico State+	14-31
S. 24 Air Force @	10-31
O. 1 Hawaii+	0-52
O. 8 Tulsa+	
O. 15 Colorado State	0-52
O. 22 Brigham Young+	18-47
O. 29 Utah	29-45
N. 12 Fresno State+	10-30
N. 19 New Mexico	29-35

@ At San Antonio, TX

Coach: Charlie Bailey • Colors: Orange, White & Blue

Nickname: Miners • 1993 Record: 1-11

TEXAS SOUTHERN Houston, TX

S. 3 Prairie View+	38-8
S. 17 Morgan State+	
S. 24 Southern University	7-48
O. 1 Sam Houston State	
O. 8 Alcorn State	41-44
O. 15 Alabama State	28-36
O. 22 Mississippi Valley+	27-41
O. 29 Grambling+	26-50
N. 5 Jackson State	12-38
N. 12 East Texas State+	7-16
N. 19 Lane College+	

Coach: Bill Thomas • Colors: Maroon & Gray

Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 2-9

TEXAS TECH Lubbock, TX

S. 3 New Mexico+	
S. 8 Nebraska+	27-50
S. 17 Oklahoma	10-41
S. 24 Southern Methodist+	41-24
O. 1 Texas A&M	6-30
O. 8 Rice	45-16
O. 22 Baylor+	26-28
O. 29 Texas+	31-22
N. 12 SW Louisiana	
N. 19 Houston @	58-7
N. 25 Texas Christian	49-21

@ At San Antonio, TX

Coach: Spike Dykes • Colors: Scarlet & Black

Nickname: Red Raiders • 1993 Record: 6-6

TOLEDO Toledo, OH

S. 3 Indiana State+	
S. 10 Purdue	
S. 17 Liberty+	
O. 1 Ohio University	28-10
O. 8 Ball State+	30-31
O. 15 Bowling Green+	10-17
O. 22 Akron	
O. 29 Kent+	45-27
N. 5 Central Michigan	7-38
N. 12 Western Michigan+	26-39
N. 19 Eastern Michigan	14-0

Coach: Gary Pinkel • Colors: Blue & Gold

Nickname: Rockets • 1993 Record: 4-7

TOWSON STATE Towson, MD

S. 10 Buffalo+	38-14
S. 17 Delaware State @	31-14
S. 24 Charleston Southern	52-14
O. 1 Howard	41-44
O. 8 Bucknell	49-21
O. 22 American International+	
O. 29 Hofstra	12-40
N. 5 Kutztown+	
N. 12 Southern Connecticut	
N. 19 Morgan State+	56-12

Coach: Gordy Combs • Colors: Gold & White

Nickname: Tigers • 1993 Record: 8-2

TROY STATE Troy, AL

S. 10 Connecticut	
S. 17 Southwest Louisiana	
S. 24 Alabama State+	38-3
O. 1 Northwestern State	21-14
O. 8 Nicholls State+	24-17
O. 15 Charleston Southern+	56-0
O. 22 Central Florida	29-15
O. 29 Western Kentucky	31-24
N. 5 Cincinnati	
N. 12 Alcorn State	63-21
N. 19 Samford+	52-24

Coach: Larry Blakeney

Colors: Cardinal, Silver & Black

Nickname: Trojans • 1993 Record: 12-1-1

TULANE New Orleans, LA

S. 3 Southern Mississippi+	17-15
S. 10 Rice	0-34
S. 17 North Carolina	10-42
S. 24 Alabama @	17-31
O. 8 Memphis State	
O. 15 Texas Christian+	7-14
O. 22 Memphis State	
O. 29 Maryland	
N. 5 Navy+	27-25
N. 12 Mississippi+	
N. 19 Louisiana State+	10-24

@ At Birmingham, AL

Coach: Buddy Teevens

Colors: Olive Green & Sky Blue

Nickname: Green Wave • 1993 Record: 3-9

TULSA Tulsa, OK

S. 3 Missouri	
S. 10 Memphis State+	23-19
S. 17 Wyoming	
S. 24 Oklahoma State	10-16
S. 8 Texas-El Paso+	
O. 15 Nevada-Las Vegas+	
O. 22 East Carolina+	52-26
O. 29 Southern Mississippi	30-30
N. 12 SW Missouri State+	
N. 19 Cincinnati	15-22
N. 26 Louisville	0-28

Coach: Dave Rader • Colors: Blue & Gold

Nickname: Golden Hurricane • 1993 Record: 4-6-1

UCLA Los Angeles, CA

S. 3 Tennessee+	13-14
S. 10 Southern Methodist+	40-27
S. 17 Nebraska	39-25
S. 24 Washington State+	25-27
O. 1 Washington	20-17
O. 8 California	37-17
O. 15 Oregon State+	28-25
O. 22 Arizona	3-9
O. 29 Stanford+	27-21
N. 12 Arizona State	
N. 19 Southern Cal+	

Coach: Terry Donahue • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Bruins • 1993 Record: 8-4

UTAH Salt Lake City, UT

S. 3 Utah State	31-29
S. 10 Idaho State+	
S. 17 Oregon	
S. 24 Wyoming+	12-28
O. 1 San Diego State	45-41
O. 8 Hawaii+	30-41
O. 22 Colorado State	38-21
O. 29 Texas-El Paso+	45-29
N. 5 New Mexico	35-42
N. 12 Air Force	41-24
N. 19 Brigham Young+	34-31

Coach: Ron McBride • Colors: Crimson & White
 Nickname: Utes • 1993 Record: 7-6

UTAH STATE Logan, UT

S. 3 Utah+	29-31
S. 10 Colorado State	
S. 17 SW Louisiana+	34-13
S. 24 Louisiana Tech	24-13
O. 1 Brigham Young	58-56
O. 8 Arizona	
O. 22 Nevada-Las Vegas+	33-26
O. 29 Pacific	24-21
N. 12 Nevada	44-48
N. 19 New Mexico State+	20-17

Coach: Charlie Weatherbie
 Colors: Navy Blue & White
 Nickname: Aggies • 1993 Record: 7-5

VALPARAISO Valparaiso, IN

S. 3 St. Ambrose+	37-30
S. 17 Millikin+	36-34
S. 24 Kalamazoo+	
O. 1 San Diego	35-25
O. 8 Butler+	0-10
O. 15 Drake	12-31
O. 22 Evansville	28-34
O. 29 Dayton+	10-38
N. 5 Aurora+	
N. 12 Kentucky Wesleyan	

Coach: Tom Home • Colors: Brown & Gold
 Nickname: Crusaders • 1993 Record: 5-5

VANDERBILT Nashville, TN

S. 3 Wake Forest+	27-10
S. 10 Alabama	6-17
S. 17 Mississippi+	7-49
O. 1 Arkansas	
O. 8 Cincinnati+	17-7
O. 15 Georgia	3-41
O. 22 South Carolina+	0-22
O. 29 Northern Illinois+	
N. 5 Kentucky	12-7
N. 19 Florida+	0-52
N. 26 Tennessee+	14-62

Coach: Gerry DiNardo • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Commodores • 1993 Record: 4-7

VILLANOVA Villanova, PA

S. 3 Fordham	25-5
S. 9 Liberty+	13-27
S. 17 Delaware+	7-19
S. 24 Boston University+	15-30
O. 1 Richmond+	7-21
O. 8 Connecticut	17-14
O. 15 James Madison	3-42
O. 22 Northeastern	3-27
O. 29 William & Mary+	17-51
N. 5 West Chester+	
N. 12 New Hampshire	14-45

Coach: Andy Talley • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1992 Record: 3-8

VIRGINIA Charlottesville, VA

S. 3 Florida State	14-40
S. 10 Navy	38-0
S. 17 Clemson+	14-23
O. 1 William & Mary+	
O. 8 Wake Forest	21-9
O. 15 Georgia Tech	35-14
O. 22 North Carolina+	17-10
N. 5 Duke	35-0
N. 12 Maryland+	42-29
N. 19 Virginia Tech	17-20
N. 25 North Carolina State+	29-34

Coach: George Welsh • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Cavaliers • 1993 Record: 7-5

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE Lexington, VA

S. 3 Richmond+	14-38
S. 17 East Tennessee St.*	7-10
S. 24 William & Mary	6-49
O. 1 Georgia Southern*	0-57
O. 8 Marshall+	0-51
O. 15 UT-Chattanooga*	35-29
O. 22 Furman+	0-24
O. 29 Western Carolina+	14-38
N. 5 James Madison+	
N. 12 The Citadel @	33-34
N. 19 Appalachian State	21-35

@ At Norfolk, VA

Coach: Bill Stewart • Colors: Red, White & Yellow
 Nickname: Keydets • 1993 Record: 1-10

VIRGINIA TECH Blacksburg, VA

S. 3 Arkansas State+	
S. 10 Southern Mississippi	
S. 17 Boston College	34-48
S. 22 West Virginia+	13-14
O. 1 Syracuse	45-24
O. 8 Temple+	55-7
O. 15 East Carolina	31-12
O. 22 Pittsburgh+	63-21
O. 29 Miami	2-21
N. 12 Rutgers+	49-42
N. 19 Virginia+	20-17

Coach: Frank Beamer • Colors: Maroon & Orange
 Nickname: Gobblers, Hokies • 1993 Record: 9-3

WAGNER Staten Island, NY

S. 9 Springfield*	
S. 17 C.W. Post	27-21
S. 24 Marist	22-6
O. 1 Monmouth+	13-7
O. 8 San Diego+	14-44
O. 15 Robert Morris+	
O. 22 Iona	32-0
O. 29 Central Connecticut State	22-15
N. 5 St. Peter's+	
N. 12 St. Francis (PA)	31-21

Coach: Walt Hameline • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Seahawks • 1993 Record: 9-2

WAKE FOREST Winston-Salem, NC

S. 3 Vanderbilt	12-27
S. 10 Appalachian State+	20-3
S. 17 Florida State+	0-54
S. 24 Maryland	32-33
O. 1 Army+	
O. 8 Virginia+	9-21
O. 15 North Carolina St.	16-34
O. 22 Duke+	13-21
O. 29 Clemson	20-16
N. 12 North Carolina+	35-45
N. 19 Georgia Tech	28-38

Coach: Jim Caldwell • Colors: Old Gold & Black
 Nickname: Demon Deacons • 1993 Record: 2-9

WASHINGTON Seattle, WA

S. 3 Southern Cal	17-22
S. 10 Ohio State+	12-21
S. 24 Miami	
O. 1 UCLA+	25-39
O. 8 San Jose State+	52-17
O. 15 Arizona State+	17-32
O. 22 Oregon	21-6
O. 29 Oregon State+	28-21
N. 5 Stanford	31-14
N. 12 California+	24-23
N. 19 Washington State	26-3

Coach: Jim Lambright • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Huskies • 1993 Record: 7-4

WASHINGTON STATE Pullman, WA

S. 3 Illinois	
S. 10 Fresno State+	
S. 24 UCLA	27-40
O. 1 Tennessee	
O. 8 Oregon+	23-46
O. 15 Arizona+	6-9
O. 22 Arizona State	44-25
O. 29 California	34-7
N. 5 Southern Cal	3-34
N. 12 Oregon State	51-6
N. 19 Washington+	3-26

Coach: Mike Price • Colors: Crimson & Gray
 Nickname: Cougars • 1993 Record: 5-6

WEBER STATE Ogden, UT

S. 3 Western Montana+	
S. 10 Montana Tech+	
S. 17 Montana State+	10-14
S. 24 Eastern Washington	22-36
O. 1 Northeast Louisiana*	
O. 8 Boise State*	21-14
O. 15 Southern Utah	43-39
O. 22 Montana+	17-45
O. 29 Northern Arizona*	67-28
N. 5 Idaho State+	21-17
N. 12 Idaho	0-56

Coach: Dave Arslanian
 Colors: Royal Purple & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1993 Record: 7-4

WESTERN CAROLINA Cullowhee, NC

S. 1 Lenoir-Rhyne+	
S. 10 Georgia Tech	
S. 17 The Citadel*	38-18
S. 24 North Carolina St.*	
O. 1 Furman	23-20
O. 8 Georgia Southern+	18-19
O. 15 Marshall*	16-20
O. 22 UT-Chattanooga+	41-10
O. 29 VMI	38-14
N. 12 Appalachian State+	16-20
N. 19 East Tennessee St.+	25-24

Coach: Steve Hodgins • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Catamounts • 1993 Record: 6-5

WESTERN ILLINOIS Macomb, IL

S. 1 Iowa Wesleyan+	
S. 8 Western Michigan+	
S. 17 Illinois State+	17-20
O. 24 SW Missouri State*	18-21
O. 1 Southern Illinois	14-13
O. 15 Indiana State+	6-16
O. 22 Eastern Illinois+	28-14
O. 29 Northern Iowa*	25-23
N. 5 Jacksonville State+	
N. 12 Buffalo+	

Coach: Randy Ball • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Leathernecks • 1993 Record: 4-7

WESTERN KENTUCKY

Bowling Green, KY

S. 1 Eastern Kentucky+	15-10
S. 17 Austin Peay+	28-27
S. 25 Central Florida	
O. 1 Alabama-Birmingham	40-13
O. 8 Portland State+	
O. 15 Jacksonville State	12-7
O. 22 Southern Illinois+	51-24
O. 29 Troy State+	24-31
N. 5 Indiana State+	14-41
N. 12 Eastern Illinois	28-14
N. 19 Murray State	44-14

Coach: Jack Harbaugh • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Hilltoppers • 1993 Record: 8-3

WESTERN MICHIGAN Kalamazoo, MI

S. 3 Miami (OH)	17-0
S. 8 Western Illinois+	
S. 17 Iowa State	28-1
S. 24 Akron+	20-3
O. 1 Kent+	27-21
O. 8 Central Michigan	18-23
O. 15 Ball State	
O. 22 Eastern Michigan+	21-20
N. 5 Ohio University+	34-28
N. 12 Toledo*	39-26
N. 19 SW Louisiana	

Coach: Al Molde • Colors: Brown & Gold
 Nickname: Broncos • 1993 Record: 7-3-1

WEST VIRGINIA Morgantown, WV

A. 28 Nebraska @	
S. 3 Ball State+	
S. 10 Rutgers	58-22
S. 17 Maryland+	42-37
S. 22 Virginia Tech	14-13
O. 1 Missouri	35-3
O. 15 Pittsburgh	42-21
O. 22 Miami+	17-14
O. 29 Louisiana Tech+	
N. 12 Temple	49-7
N. 19 Boston College+	17-14
N. 24 Syracuse+	43-0

@ At East Rutherford, NJ

Coach: Don Nehlen • Colors: Old Gold & Blue
 Nickname: Mountaineers • 1993 Record: 11-1

WILLIAM & MARY Williamsburg, VA

S. 3 Rhode Island	
S. 10 Delaware+	35-42
S. 17 Furman*	
S. 24 VMI+	49-6
O. 1 Virginia	
O. 8 Northeastern+	53-6
O. 15 Massachusetts+	45-28
O. 22 James Madison	31-26
O. 29 Villanova	51-17
N. 5 Maine+	47-23
N. 19 Richmond	31-17

Coach: Jimmy Laycock • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Tribe, Indians • 1993 Record: 9-3

WISCONSIN Madison, WI

S. 10 Eastern Michigan+	
S. 17 Colorado	
S. 24 Indiana+	27-15
O. 1 Michigan State	41-20
O. 8 Northwestern	53-14
O. 15 Purdue+	42-28
O. 22 Minnesota+	21-28
O. 29 Michigan	13-10
N. 5 Ohio State	14-14
N. 12 Cincinnati+	
N. 19 Illinois+	35-10

Coach: Barry Alvarez • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Badgers • 1993 Record: 10-1-1

WYOMING Laramie, WY

S. 3 Texas-El Paso+	33-26
S. 10 Oregon State	16-27
S. 17 Tulsa+	
S. 24 Utah+	28-12
O. 1 Nebraska	
O. 8 NE Louisiana+	
O. 15 Fresno State	32-28
O. 22 San Diego State+	43-38
O. 29 Air Force+	31-18
N. 5 Colorado State	21-41
N. 12 New Mexico+	7-10
N. 19 Hawaii	48-10

Coach: Joe Tiller • Colors: Brown & Yellow
 Nickname: Cowboys, Pokes • 1993 Record: 8-4

YALE New Haven, CT

S. 17 Brown	3-12
S. 24 Holy Cross+	31-27
O. 1 Connecticut+	14-25
O. 8 Lehigh+	
O. 15 Dartmouth	14-31
O. 22 Columbia+	35-28
O. 29 Pennsylvania	7-48
N. 5 Cornell+	0-21
N. 12 Princeton+	7-28
N. 19 Harvard	33-31

Coach: Carmen Cozza • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Elis, Bulldogs • 1993 Record: 3-7

YOUNGSTOWN STATE Youngstown, OH

S. 1 Stephen F. Austin+	15-35
S. 10 Delaware State	42-28
S. 17 Eastern Kentucky+	26-22
S. 24 Slippery Rock+	
O. 1 McNeese State+	
O. 8 New Haven+	
O. 15 Kent+	
O. 29 Akron+	19-0
N. 5 Buffalo	38-12
N. 12 Massachusetts	
N. 19 Indiana State	17-10

Coach: Jim Tressel • Colors: Scarlet & White
 Nickname: Penguins • 1993 Record: 13-2

Award Winners

● Quarterback Charlie Ward of Florida State became the first Heisman Trophy winner since Pittsburgh's Tony Dorsett in 1976 to play for a national championship team. A consensus All-America and the recipient of the Maxwell, Davey O'Brien, Johnny Unitas Golden Arm, and Walter Camp Player of the Year Awards, Ward collected a record 91 percent of the first-place Heisman votes, easily outpolling Tennessee quarterback Heath Shuler. The first Seminole player to be so honored, the versatile Ward completed 264 of 380 passes for 3,032 yards and seven touchdowns and rushed 65 times for 452 yards and a pair of TDs a year ago. He capped off his remarkable season by being named the Most Valuable Player in Florida State's 18-16 Orange Bowl victory over Nebraska.

Byron Morris of Texas Tech won the Doak Walker Trophy as the top running back in the nation, Trev Alberts of Nebraska the Butkus Award as the premier linebacker, offensive tackle Aaron Taylor of Notre Dame the Vince Lombardi/Rotary Award as the outstanding lineman and Arizona nose guard Rob Waldrop the Outland Trophy as the outstanding interior lineman, Antonio Langham of Alabama the Jim Thorpe Award as the best defensive back, and Florida's Judd Davis the Lou Groza Collegiate Place-Kicker Award.

Quarterback Doug Nussmeier of Idaho earned the Walter Payton Award, running back Roger Graham of New Haven the Harlon Hill Trophy, and quarterback Jim Ballard of Mount Union the John Gagliardi Trophy, the highest individual honors, respectively, in Divisions I-AA, II, and III.

Wisconsin's Barry Alvarez (Bobby Dodd and AFCA Awards) and Auburn's Terry Bowden (Walter Camp and Bear Bryant Awards) were named the top coaches in the major college ranks. Dan Allen of Boston University took the Eddie Robinson Award as the top coach in Division I-AA. Other coaching honors went to Bobby Wallace of North Alabama in Division II and to Larry Kehres of Mount Union in Division III.

Charlie Ward
Florida State

1993 Consensus All-America Team

Offense

Quarterback	*Charlie Ward . . . Florida State
Running back	*Marshall Faulk . . . San Diego State
Running back	*LeShon Johnson . . . Northern Illinois
Wide receiver	J.J. Stokes . . . UCLA
Wide receiver	Johnnie Morton . . . Southern Cal
Line	Mark Dixon . . . Virginia
Line	Stacy Seegars . . . Clemson
Line	*Aaron Taylor . . . Notre Dame
Center	Wayne Gandy . . . Auburn
Place-kicker	Jim Pyne . . . Virginia Tech
Kick returner	Bjorn Merten . . . UCLA
	David Palmer . . . Alabama

Defense

Line	Rob Waldrop . . . Arizona
Line	Dan Wilkinson . . . Ohio State
Line	Sam Adams . . . Texas A&M
Linebacker	*Trev Alberts . . . Nebraska
Linebacker	*Derrick Brooks . . . Florida State
Linebacker	Jamir Miller . . . UCLA
Back	*Antonio Langham . . . Alabama
Back	Aaron Glenn . . . Texas A&M
Back	Jeff Burris . . . Notre Dame
Back	Corey Sawyer . . . Florida State
Punter	Terry Daniel . . . Auburn

*Unanimous selection by Associated Press, United Press International, Football Writers Association of America, American Football Coaches Association (Kodak), the Walter Camp Foundation, the Football News, and The Sporting News.

1993 College Football Recap

Final Records

Division I-AA

Atlantic Coast

	conference	overall
Florida St.	8 0 0 12 1 0	
North Carolina	6 2 0 10 3 0	
Clemson	5 3 0 9 3 0	
Virginia	5 3 0 7 5 0	
North Carolina St.	4 4 0 7 5 0	
Georgia Tech.	3 5 0 5 6 0	
Duke	2 6 0 3 8 0	
Maryland	2 6 0 2 9 0	
Wake Forest	1 7 0 2 9 0	

Big East

West Virginia	7 0 0 11 1 0
Miami	6 1 0 9 3 0
Boston College	5 2 0 9 3 0
Virginia Tech.	4 3 0 9 3 0
Syracuse	3 4 0 6 4 1
Pittsburgh	2 5 0 3 8 0
Rutgers	1 6 0 4 7 0
Temple	0 7 0 1 10 0

Big Eight

Nebraska	7 0 0 11 1 0
Colorado	5 1 1 8 3 1
Kansas St.	4 2 1 9 2 1
Oklahoma	4 3 0 9 3 0
Kansas	3 4 0 5 7 0
Missouri	2 5 0 3 7 1
Iowa St.	2 5 0 3 8 0
Oklahoma St.	0 7 0 3 8 0

Big Ten

Ohio St.	6 1 1 10 1 1
Wisconsin	6 1 1 10 1 1
Penn St.	6 2 0 10 2 0
Indiana	5 3 0 8 4 0
Michigan	5 3 0 8 4 0
Illinois	5 3 0 5 6 0
Michigan St.	4 4 0 6 6 0
Iowa	3 5 0 6 6 0
Minnesota	3 5 0 4 7 0
Northwestern	0 8 0 2 9 0
Purdue	0 8 0 1 10 0

Big West

Southwestern La.	5 1 0 8 3 0
Utah St.	5 1 0 7 5 0
Nevada	4 2 0 7 4 0
New Mexico St.	4 2 0 5 6 0
Northern Illinois	3 3 0 4 7 0
Nevada-Las Vegas	2 4 0 3 8 0
Pacific	2 4 0 3 8 0
San Jose St.	2 4 0 2 9 0
Louisiana Tech.	2 4 0 2 9 0
Arkansas St.	1 5 0 2 8 1

Mid-American

Ball St.	7 0 1 8 3 1
Western Michigan	6 1 1 7 3 1
Bowling Green	5 1 2 6 3 2
Central Michigan	5 4 0 5 6 0
Akron	4 4 0 5 6 0
Ohio	4 5 0 4 7 0
Toledo	3 5 0 4 7 0
Eastern Michigan	3 5 0 4 7 0
Miami (OH)	3 6 0 4 7 0
Kent	0 9 0 0 11 0

Pacific-10

Arizona	6 2 0 10 2 0
UCLA	6 2 0 8 4 0
Southern Cal.	6 2 0 8 5 0
Washington	5 3 0 7 4 0
California	4 4 0 9 4 0
Arizona St.	4 4 0 6 5 0
Washington St.	3 5 0 5 6 0
Oregon	2 6 0 5 6 9
Stanford	2 6 0 4 7 0
Oregon St.	2 6 0 4 7 0

Southeastern

East	
Florida+	7 1 0 11 2 0
Tennessee	6 1 1 9 2 1
Kentucky	4 4 0 6 6 0
Georgia	2 6 0 5 6 0
South Carolina	2 6 0 4 7 0
Vanderbilt	1 7 0 4 7 0

West

Auburn*	8 0 0 11 0 0
Alabama+	5 2 1 9 3 1
Arkansas	3 4 1 5 5 1
Louisiana St.	3 5 0 5 6 0
Mississippi	3 5 0 5 6 0
Mississippi St.	2 5 1 3 6 2

*Auburn on NCAA probation and ineligible for conference title. +Overall record includes SEC championship game as Florida defeated Alabama, 28-13, on December 4.

Southwest

Texas A&M	7 0 0 10 2 0
Texas Tech	5 2 0 6 6 0
Texas	5 2 0 5 5 1
Rice	3 4 0 6 5 0
Baylor	3 4 0 5 6 0
Texas Christian	2 5 0 4 7 0
Southern Methodist	1 5 1 2 7 2
Houston	1 5 1 1 9 1

Western Athletic

Wyoming	6 2 0 8 4 0
Fresno St.	6 2 0 8 4 0
Brigham Young	6 2 0 6 6 0
Utah	5 3 0 7 6 0
Colorado St.	5 3 0 5 6 0
New Mexico	4 4 0 6 5 0
San Diego St.	4 4 0 6 6 0
Hawaii	3 5 0 6 6 0
Air Force	1 7 0 4 8 0
UTEP	0 8 0 1 11 0

Independents

Notre Dame	11 1 0
Cincinnati	8 3 0
Louisville	9 3 0
Army	6 5 0
Memphis St.	6 5 0
Tulsa	4 6 1
Navy	4 7 0
Tulane	3 9 0
Southern Mississippi	2 8 1
East Carolina	2 9 0

Division I-AA

American West Conference*

	conference	overall
UC Davis	3 1 0 10 2 0	
Southern Utah	3 1 0 3 7 1	
Cal St. Sacramento	2 2 0 4 6 0	
Cal Poly SLO	1 3 0 6 4 0	
Cal St. Northridge	1 3 0 4 6 0	

*Cal St. Northridge, Cal St. Sacramento, and Southern Utah are Division I-AA members; others are Division II.

Big Sky

Montana	7 0 0 10 2 0
Idaho	5 2 0 11 3 0
Eastern Washington	5 2 0 7 3 0
Montana St.	4 3 0 7 4 0
Weber St.	3 4 0 7 4 0
Northern Arizona	3 4 0 7 4 0
Boise St.	1 6 0 3 8 0
Idaho St.	0 7 0 2 9 0

Gateway

Northern Iowa	5 1 0 8 4 0
SW Missouri St.	4 2 0 7 4 0
Western Illinois	4 2 0 4 7 0
Illinois St.	2 3 1 6 4 1
Eastern Illinois	2 3 1 3 7 1
Indiana St.	2 4 0 4 7 0
Southern Illinois	1 5 0 2 9 0

Ivy League

Pennsylvania	7 0 0 10 0 0
Dartmouth	6 1 0 7 3 0
Princeton	5 2 0 8 2 0
Brown	3 4 0 4 6 0
Cornell	3 4 0 4 6 0
Yale	2 5 0 3 7 0
Harvard	1 6 0 3 7 0
Columbia	1 6 0 2 8 0

Metro Atlantic Athletic

Iona	5 0 0 9 2 0
Canisius	4 1 0 5 5 0
St. John's (NY)	3 2 0 8 3 0
Georgetown	2 3 0 4 5 0
St. Peter's	1 4 0 3 6 0
Siena	0 5 0 0 10 0

Mid-Eastern Athletic

Howard	6 0 0 11 1 0
South Carolina St.	4 2 0 8 4 0
Delaware St.	4 2 0 6 5 0
North Carolina A&T	3 3 0 8 3 0
Florida A&M	3 3 0 5 6 0
Bethune-Cookman	1 5 0 3 8 0
Morgan St.	0 6 0 2 9 0

Ohio Valley

Eastern Kentucky	8 0 0 8 4 0
Tennessee Tech	7 1 0 8 3 0
UT-Martin	5 3 0 6 5 0
Middle Tenn. St.	4 4 0 5 6 0
Tennessee St.	4 4 0 4 7 0
Murray St.	4 4 0 4 7 0
Morehead St.	2 6 0 3 8 0
SE Missouri St.	2 6 0 3 8 0
Austin Peay	0 8 0 1 10 0

Patriot League

Lehigh	4 1 0 7 4 0
Lafayette	3 1 1 5 4 2
Bucknell	3 2 0 4 7 0
Holy Cross	2 3 0 3 8 0
Colgate	1 3 1 3 7 1
Fordham	1 4 0 1 10 0

Pioneer League

Dayton	5 0 0 9 1 0
Drake	3 2 0 8 2 0
Butler	3 2 0 4 6 0
Evansville	2 3 0 6 4 0
San Diego	1 4 0 6 4 0
Valparaiso	1 4 0 5 5 0

Southern

Georgia Southern	7 1 0 10 3 0
Marshall	6 2 0 11 4 0
Western Carolina	5 3 0 6 5 0
Furman	4 4 0 5 5 1
Citadel	4 4 0 5 6 0
Appalachian St.	4 4 0 4 7 0
East Tenn. St.	3 5 0 5 6 0
UT-Chattanooga	2 6 0 4 7 0
Virginia Military	1 7 0 1 10 0

Southland

McNeese St.	7 0 0 10 3 0
NE Louisiana	6 1 0 9 3 0
Stephen F. Austin	5 2 0 8 4 0
Northwestern (LA)	3 4 0 5 6 0
Sam Houston St.	2 5 0 4 7 0
North Texas	2 5 0 4 7 0
Nicholls St.	2 5 0 3 8 0
Southwest Texas St.	1 6 0 2 9 0

Southwestern Athletic

Southern-B.R.	7 0 0 11 1 0
Alcorn St.	6 1 0 8 3 0
Grambling	4 3 0 7 4 0
Alabama St.	3 3 1 5 4 1
Jackson St.	3 3 1 5 5 1
Mississippi Valley	2 3 2 4 4 2
Texas Southern	1 6 0 2 9 0
Prairie View	0 7 0 0 11 0

Yankee

Mid Atlantic

William & Mary	7 1 0 9 3 0
Delaware	6 2 0 9 4 0
James Madison	4 5 0 6 5 0
Richmond	4 6 0 5 6 0
Villanova	2 7 0 3 8 0
Northeastern	2 8 0 2 9 0

New England

Boston U.	9 0 0 12 1 0
Massachusetts	7 3 0 8 3 0
Connecticut	5 3 0 6 5 0
New Hampshire	5 5 0 6 5 0
Maine	2 7 0 3 8 0
Rhode Island	1 7 0 3 8 0

Independents

Youngstown St.	13 2 0
Troy St.	12 1 1
Alabama-Birmingham	9 2 0
Central Florida	9 3 0
Towson St.	8 2 0
Wagner	8 2 0
Western Kentucky	8 3 0
Holstra	6 3 1
St. Mary's (CA)	6 3 1
Davidson	6 4 0
Liberty	6 5 0
Central Connecticut St.	5 5 0
Marist	5 5 0
Samford	5 6 0
Duquesne	4 6 0
Charleston Southern	3 8 0
St. Francis (PA)	2 7 0
Buffalo	1 10 0

Division II

American West Conference

	conference	overall
Southern Utah*	3 1 0 3 7 1	
UC Davis	3 1 0 10 2 0	
Cal St. Sacramento	2 2 0 4 6 0	
Cal Poly SLO	1 3 0 6 4 0	
Cal St. Northridge	1 3 0 4 6 0	

*UC Davis and Cal Poly SLO are Division II members; the others are Division I-AA.

Central Intercollegiate Athletic

Hampton	8 0 0 12 1 0
Virginia St.	7 1 0 10 1 0
Winston-Salem	5 2 1 6 4 1
N.C. Central	5 3 0 6 5 0
Fayetteville St.	4 4 0 6 5 0
Bowie St.	3 4 1 3 6 1
Johnson Smith	3 5 0 3 8 0
Norfolk St.	2 5 1 3 7 1
Virginia Union	2 5 1 2 8 1
Elizabeth City St.	1 7 0 2 8 0
Livingstone	1 7 0 1 10 0

Eastern Collegiate*

Bentley	6 0 0 10 0 0
Stonehill	4 2 0 7 2 0
MIT	4 2 0 5 3 0
Assumption	4 2 0 6 4 0
W. New England	2 4 0 2 6 1
Curry	1 5 0 1 8 0
Nichols	0 6 0 1 7 0

*Assumption, Bentley, and Stonehill are Division II members; others are Division III.

Gulf South

North Alabama	7	0	0	14	0	0
Valdosta St.	5	2	0	8	3	0
Central Arkansas	4	3	0	6	4	1
West Georgia	4	3	0	4	6	0
Henderson St.	2	5	0	4	6	0
Livingston	1	5	1	2	7	1
Delta St.	1	6	0	3	7	0
Mississippi College*	3	3	1	6	3	1

*Ineligible for the conference championship.

Lone Star

Texas A&M-Kingsville	5	0	0	7	6	0
Angelo St.	3	2	0	7	3	0
Abilene Christian	3	2	0	7	3	0
Central Oklahoma	2	3	0	7	3	0
East Texas St.	1	4	0	5	6	0
Eastern New Mexico	1	4	0	1	8	1

Mid-America Intercollegiate**Athletics Association**

Missouri Southern St.	9	0	0	9	2	1
Pittsburg St.	8	1	0	8	4	0
Missouri Western St.	6	2	1	8	2	1
Central Missouri St.	6	2	1	7	2	1
NE Missouri St.	5	4	0	6	5	0
Emporia St.	3	6	0	3	7	0
NW Missouri St.	3	6	0	3	8	0
Missouri-Rolla	2	7	0	3	7	0
Southwest Baptist	2	7	0	2	9	0
Washburn	0	9	0	0	10	0

Midwest Intercollegiate

Ferris St.	8	0	2	9	1	2
Ashland	8	2	0	9	2	0
Grand Valley St.	6	2	2	6	3	2
Hillsdale	6	3	1	7	3	1
Northern Michigan	5	4	1	5	4	1
Wayne St. (MI)	5	5	0	6	5	0
St. Francis (IL)	5	5	0	5	6	0
Saginaw Valley	4	6	0	4	7	0
Northwood	2	7	1	3	7	1
St. Joseph's (IN)	1	8	1	1	8	1
Indianapolis	1	9	0	2	9	0
Michigan Tech*	-	-	-	6	4	0

*Affiliated member in 1993 and will become a full participating member in 1994.

North Central**Intercollegiate Athletic**

Mankato St.	7	2	0	10	1	0
North Dakota	7	2	0	10	3	0
Northern Colorado	6	3	0	8	3	0
North Dakota St.	6	3	0	7	3	0
South Dakota St.	6	3	0	7	4	0
South Dakota	4	5	0	6	5	0
St. Cloud St.	4	5	0	5	5	0
Augustana (SD)	3	6	0	4	7	0
Nebraska-Omaha	1	8	0	2	9	0
Morningside	1	8	0	2	9	0

Northern California Athletic

Cal St. Chico	3	0	1	4	4	1
Cal St. Hayward	2	2	0	3	6	0
Sonoma St.	2	2	0	2	7	0
Humboldt St.	1	2	1	4	6	1
San Francisco St.	1	3	0	4	7	0

Northern Sun Intercollegiate

Winona St.	5	1	0	7	4	0
Minnesota-Duluth	4	2	0	8	3	0
Moorhead St.	4	2	0	6	4	0
Northern St.	4	2	0	6	5	0
Southwest St.	3	3	0	4	6	0
Minnesota-Morris	1	5	0	2	9	0
Bemidji St.	0	6	0	0	10	0

Pennsylvania State**Athletic Conference****Western Division**

Indiana	6	0	0	13	1	0
Edinboro	5	1	0	8	3	0
Slippery Rock	3	3	0	6	4	0
Clarion	3	3	0	5	5	0
Shippensburg	2	4	0	6	5	0
California	2	4	0	4	7	0
Lock Haven	0	6	0	2	9	0

Eastern Division

Millersville	6	0	0	8	2	0
East Stroudsburg	4	2	0	7	2	1
West Chester	4	2	0	6	5	0
Bloomsburg	4	2	0	5	6	0
Mansfield	2	4	0	2	8	0
Cheyney	1	5	0	3	8	0
Kutztown	0	6	0	2	9	0

Rocky Mountain Athletic

Fort Hays St.	6	1	0	8	4	0
Western St.	5	2	0	8	3	0
N.M. Highlands	5	2	0	6	4	0
Mesa St.	5	2	0	5	5	0
Adams St.	3	4	0	4	6	0
Chadron St.	2	5	0	5	6	0
Colorado Mines	2	5	0	2	7	1
Fort Lewis	0	7	0	1	9	0

South Atlantic

Carson-Newman	7	0	0	8	3	1
Elon	5	2	0	8	3	0
Lenoir-Rhyne	4	3	0	7	3	0
Presbyterian	4	3	0	5	6	0
Wingate	3	4	0	6	5	0
Mars Hill	2	5	0	4	6	0
Gardner-Webb	0	7	0	1	9	0

Southern Intercollegiate Athletic

Albany St. (GA)	7	0	0	11	1	0
Fort Valley St.	5	1	1	6	4	1
Savannah St.	4	1	2	5	3	2
Morehouse	4	3	0	5	5	0
Alabama A&M	3	3	1	4	6	1
Morris Brown	3	4	0	4	6	0
Tuskegee	3	4	0	3	8	0
Clark Atlanta	1	6	0	2	8	0
Miles	0	7	0	0	10	0

Texas Intercollegiate

Hardin-Simmons	5	0	0	10	3	0
McMurry	4	1	0	8	2	0
Austin	2	3	0	4	6	0
Midwestern St.	2	3	0	3	6	0
Howard Payne	2	3	0	3	7	0
Sul Ross	0	5	0	0	9	0

West Virginia**Intercollegiate Athletic**

Glennville St.	6	1	0	10	3	0
West Virginia Wesleyan	5	2	0	7	3	0
Shepherd	5	2	0	5	5	0
West Liberty St.	5	2	0	5	5	0
Concord	4	3	0	4	6	0
Fairmont St.	2	5	0	3	7	0
West Virginia St.	1	6	0	1	9	0
West Virginia Tech.	0	7	0	0	10	0

Independents

New Haven	11	1	0
Quincy	9	0	0
LIU-C. W. Post	10	1	0
Wayne St. (NE)	9	1	0
Portland St.	8	3	0
Wofford	7	3	1
Gannon	6	4	0
Kentucky Wesleyan	6	4	0
Mercyhurst	5	5	0
Massachusetts-Lowell	5	5	0
West Texas A&M	3	6	0
Southern Connecticut St.	3	7	1
American International	3	7	0
Jacksonville St.	3	7	0
Nebraska-Kearney	3	7	0
Springfield	3	7	0
Sacred Heart	2	7	0
Newberry	2	8	0
Kentucky St.	2	9	0
Lane	1	8	0
Pace	0	10	0

Division III**Association of Mid-East**

	conference			overall		
Thomas More.....	3	0	0	8	2	0
Defiance.....	2	1	0	9	1	0
Wilmington (OH).....	1	2	0	6	4	0
Bluffton.....	0	3	0	3	7	0

Centennial Football

Dickinson	5	2	0	7	4	0
Franklin & Marshall	5	2	0	6	4	0
Ursinus	4	3	0	5	4	0
Gettysburg	4	3	0	5	5	0
Muhlenberg	4	3	0	4	5	0
Johns Hopkins	2	5	0	4	6	0
Western Maryland	2	5	0	3	5	1
Swarthmore	2	5	0	3	6	0

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin

Augustana	7	0	0	7	2	0
Wheaton	6	1	0	7	2	0
Millikin	5	2	0	6	3	0
Illinois Wesleyan	3	4	0	4	5	0
North Park	2	4	1	4	4	1
North Central	2	5	0	3	6	0
Elmhurst	1	5	1	1	7	1
Carthage	1	6	0	1	8	0

Eastern Collegiate*

Bentley	6	0	0	10	0	0
Stonehill	4	2	0	7	2	0
MIT	4	2	0	5	3	0
Assumption	4	2	0	6	4	0
W. New England	2	4	0	2	6	1
Curry	1	5	0	1	8	0
Nichols	0	6	0	1	7	0

*MIT, Western New England, Curry, and Nichols are Division III members; others are Division II.

Freedom

Worcester Tech.	5	0	0	5	4	0
Plymouth St.	5	1	0	6	4	0
Stony Brook	3	2	0	6	3	1
Coast Guard	3	3	0	4	5	0
Merchant Marine	2	3	0	5	4	0
Mass.-Lowell	2	3	0	5	5	0
Western Conn. St.	2	4	0	4	6	0
Norwich	0	6	0	0	9	0

Indiana Collegiate Athletic

Anderson	6	0	0	10	1	0
Franklin	5	1	0	6	3	0
Wabash	4	2	0	5	4	0
Manchester	2	4	0	5	5	0
Hanover	2	4	0	3	7	0
Rose-Hulman	1	5	0	3	7	0
DePauw	1	5	0	2	8	0

Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic

Warburg	8	0	0	9	2	0
Central	7	1	0	8	1	0
Loras	6	2	0	7	2	1
Simpson	5	3	0	5	5	0
Luther	3	5	0	4	6	0
Buena Vista	3	5	0	3	6	0
Upper Iowa	3	5	0	3	7	0
Dubuque	1	7	0	2	8	0
William Penn.	0	8	0	1	9	0

Michigan Intercollegiate**Athletic Association**

Albion	5	0	0	11	1	0
Kalamazoo	4	1	0	7	2	0
Hope	3	2	0	5	4	0
Alma	2	3	0	2	7	0
Adrian	1	4	0	2	7	0
Olivet	0	5	0	1	8	0

Middle Atlantic States**Collegiate Athletic****Commonwealth League**

Moravian	7	1	0	8	3	0
Susquehanna	6	3	0	6	4	0
Widener	6	4	0	6	4	0
Lebanon Valley	5	4	0	5	5	0
Albright	3	6	0	3	6	0
Juniata	1	7	0	1	9	0

Freedom League

Wilkes	9	0	0	10	1	0
FDU-Madison	6	1	0	8	3	0
Lycoming	6	4	0	6	4	0
Delaware Valley	2	8	0	2	8	0
Upsala	1	6	0	1	8	0
King's (PA)	1	9	0	1	9	0

Midwest Collegiate Athletic**North Division**

Carroll (WI)	4	1	0	7	3	0
St. Norbert	3	2	0	6	3	0
Beloit	3	2	0	3	6	0
Ripon	2	3	0	5	4	0
Lawrence	2	3	0	2	7	0
Lake Forest	1	4	0	2	7	0

South Division

Coe	5	0
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Presidents' Athletic

Wash. & Jeff.	4	0	0	11	1	0
Grove City	2	2	0	5	4	0
Bethany (WV)	2	2	0	4	4	1
Waynesburg	1	3	0	3	6	0
Thiel	1	3	0	2	7	0

Southern California

Intercollegiate Athletic

La Verne	6	0	0	7	2	0
Occidental	5	1	0	8	1	0
Redlands	3	3	0	6	3	0
Cal Lutheran	3	3	0	5	4	0
Whittier	3	3	0	4	5	0
Claremont-M-S	1	5	0	1	6	1
Pomona-Pitzer	0	6	0	1	7	0

Southern Collegiate Athletic

Trinity (TX)	4	0	0	6	4	0
Millsaps	2	2	0	5	4	0
Rhodes	2	2	0	3	7	0
Sewanee	1	3	0	4	5	0
Centre	1	3	0	4	5	0

University Athletic Association

Carnegie-Mellon	4	0	0	8	2	0
Rochester	3	1	0	5	4	0
Chicago	2	2	0	5	5	0
Washington (MO)	1	3	0	6	4	0
Case Reserve#	0	4	0	2	8	0

#Also member of North Coast Athletic Conference

Wisconsin State University

Wis.-La Crosse	7	0	0	12	1	0
Wis.-Stevens Point	6	1	0	8	2	0
Wis.-Whitewater	5	2	0	6	4	0
Wis.-River Falls	3	4	0	6	4	0
Wis.-Eau Claire	3	4	0	4	6	0
Wis.-Platteville	2	5	0	3	7	0
Wis.-Oshkosh	1	6	0	3	7	0
Wis.-Stout	1	6	0	2	8	0

Independents

Union (NY)	9	1	0
Trinity (CT)	8	0	0
Frostburg St.	10	2	0
Colorado College	8	1	0
Northwestern (WI)	7	1	0
Williams*	7	1	0
Buffalo St.	7	3	0
Rensselaer	7	2	0
Wesleyan (CT)*	6	2	0
Brockport St.	7	3	0
Hobart	7	3	0
Wesley	7	3	1
Middlebury*	5	3	0
Salve Regina	5	3	0
Albany (NY)	6	4	0
Ithaca	6	4	0
MacMurray	6	4	0
Maryville (TN)	6	4	0
Ferrum	5	4	0
St. John Fisher	5	4	0
Hartwick	3	3	1
Principia	4	4	0
Illinois Benedictine	4	5	1
Aurora	4	5	0
Alfred	4	6	0
Methodist	4	6	0
Amherst*	3	5	0
Blackburn	3	6	0
Eureka	3	7	0
Salisbury St.	2	7	0
St. Lawrence	2	8	0
Hamilton*	1	7	0
Tufts*	1	7	0
Catholic	1	9	0
Cortland St.	1	9	0
Menlo	0	8	1
Gallaudet	0	7	0
Concordia (IL)	0	10	0
Bates*			
Bowdoin*			
Colby*			

*Member of New England Small College Athletic Conference, but league does not keep standings.

Bowl Games

LAS VEGAS	Utah State 42 / Ball State 33
ALOHA	Colorado 41 / Fresno State 30
COPPER	Kansas State 52 / Wyoming 17
FREEDOM	Southern Cal 28 / Utah 21
HOLIDAY	Ohio State 28 / Brigham Young 21
INDEPENDENCE	Virginia Tech 45 / Indiana 20
JOHN HANCOCK	Oklahoma 41 / Texas Tech 10
GATOR	Alabama 24 / North Carolina 10
LIBERTY	Louisville 18 / Michigan State 7
HALL OF FAME	Michigan 42 / North Carolina St. 7
FLORIDA CITRUS	Penn State 31 / Tennessee 13
COTTON	Notre Dame 24 / Texas A&M 21
CARQUEST	Boston College 31 / Virginia 13
FIESTA	Arizona 29 / Miami 0
ROSE	Wisconsin 21 / UCLA 16
ORANGE	Florida St. 18 / Nebraska 16
SUGAR	Florida 41 / West Virginia 7
PEACH	Clemson 14 / Kentucky 13
ALAMO	California 37 / Iowa 3
HERITAGE	Southern 11 / South Carolina St. 0

Division I-AA Playoffs

First Round

Georgia Southern 14	Eastern Kentucky 12
Youngstown State 56	Central Florida 30
Boston University 27	Northern Iowa 21 (2OT)
Marshall 28	Howard 14
Delaware 49	Montana 48
Troy State 42	Stephen F. Austin 20
Idaho 34	Northeast Louisiana 31
McNeese State 34	William & Mary 28

Quarterfinals

Youngstown State 34	Georgia Southern 14
Idaho 21	Boston University 14
Marshall 34	Delaware 31
Troy State 35	McNeese State 28

Semifinals

Youngstown State 35	Idaho 16
Marshall 24	Troy State 21

Championship

Youngstown State 17	Marshall 5
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Division II Playoffs

First Round

North Alabama 38	Carson-Newman 28
Hampton 33	Albany State (GA) 7
Texas A&M-Kingsville 50	Portland State 15
UC Davis 37	Fort Hays State 34
Mankato State 34	Missouri Southern St. 13
North Dakota 17	Pittsburg State 14
New Haven 48	Edinboro 28
Indiana (PA) 28	Ferris State 21

Quarterfinals

North Alabama 45	Hampton 20
Texas A&M-Kingsville 51	UC Davis 28
North Dakota 54	Mankato State 21
Indiana 38	New Haven 28

Semifinals

North Alabama 27	Texas A&M-Kingsville 25
Indiana 21	North Dakota 6

Championship

North Alabama 41	Indiana 34
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Division III Playoffs

First Round

Mount Union 40	Allegheny 7
Albion 41	Anderson 21
Wisconsin-La Crosse 55	Wartburg 26
St. John's (MN) 32	Coe 14
Washington & Jefferson 27	Moravian 7
Frostburg State 26	Wilkes 25
Rowan 29	Buffalo State 6
William Paterson 28	Union (NY) 7

Quarterfinals

Mount Union 30	Albion 16
St. John's 47	Wisconsin-La Crosse 25
Washington & Jefferson 28	Frostburg State 7
Rowan 37	William Paterson 0

Semifinals

Mount Union 56	St. John's 8
Rowan 23	Washington & Jefferson 16

Championship—Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl

Mount Union 34	Rowan 24
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NAIA Division I Playoffs

First Round

Central State (OH) 58	Winona State 7
Glenville State (WV) 41	Carroll (MT) 24
East Central (OK) 24	Western New Mexico 22
Arkansas-Monticello 26	Langston (OK) 13

Semifinals

Glenville State 13	Central State 12
East Central 27	Arkansas-Monticello 0

Championship

East Central 49	Glenville State 35
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NAIA Division II Playoffs

First Round

Pacific Lutheran 61	Cumberland (TN) 7
Central Washington 28	Linfield (OR) 26
Westminster (PA) 20	Georgetown (KY) 13
Findlay (OH) 28	Tiffin (OH) 14
Hardin-Simmons (TX) 49	Evangel (MO) 21
Doane (NE) 17	Bethany (KS) 10
Baker (KS) 39	Hastings 19
Mary (ND) 31	Minot State (ND) 20

Quarterfinals

Baker 28	Doane 21
Westminster 24	Findlay 0
Hardin-Simmons 30	Mary 20
Pacific Lutheran 35	Central Washington 17

Semifinals

Pacific Lutheran 52	Baker 14
Westminster 10	Hardin-Simmons 0

Championship

Pacific Lutheran 50	Westminster 20
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FINAL DIVISION I-A INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

PASSING EFFICIENCY

(Min. 15 att. per game)	cl	g	att	cmp	pct	int	pct	yds	avg	ld	pct	rating
Trent Diller, Fresno St.	JR	11	333	217	65.17	4	1.20	3276	9.84	28	8.41	173.1
Dave Barr, California	JR	11	275	187	68.00	12	4.36	2619	9.52	21	7.64	164.5
Darrell Bevell, Wisconsin	SO	11	256	177	69.14	10	3.91	2294	8.96	19	7.42	161.1
Charlie Ward, Florida St.	SR	11	380	264	69.47	4	1.05	3032	7.98	27	7.11	157.8
Maurice DeShazo, Virginia Tech	JR	11	230	129	56.09	7	3.04	2080	9.04	22	9.57	157.5
Heath Shuler, Tennessee	JR	11	285	184	64.56	8	2.81	2354	8.26	25	8.77	157.3
Glenn Foley, Boston College	SR	11	363	222	61.16	10	2.75	3397	9.36	25	6.89	157.0
Chris Vargas, Nevada	SR	11	490	331	67.55	18	3.67	4265	8.70	34	6.94	156.2
John Walsh, Brigham Young	SO	11	397	244	61.46	15	3.78	3727	9.39	28	7.05	156.0
Rob Johnson, Southern Cal	JR	12	405	278	68.64	5	1.23	3285	8.11	26	6.42	155.5
Tim Gutierrez, San Diego St.	JR	10	341	208	61.00	10	2.93	3033	8.89	24	7.04	153.1
Kevin McDougal, Notre Dame	SR	10	159	98	61.64	5	3.14	1541	9.69	7	4.40	151.3
Mike McCoy, Utah	JR	12	430	276	64.19	10	2.33	3860	8.98	21	4.88	151.1
Robert Hall, Texas Tech	SR	11	341	216	63.34	7	2.05	2894	8.49	21	6.16	150.8
Todd Collins, Michigan	JR	11	274	178	64.96	7	2.55	2320	8.47	16	5.84	150.2
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	SR	11	304	185	60.86	9	2.96	2626	8.64	20	6.58	149.2
Danny O'Neil, Oregon	JR	11	360	223	61.94	15	4.17	3224	8.96	22	6.11	149.0
Eric Zeier, Georgia	JR	11	425	269	63.29	7	1.65	3525	8.29	24	5.65	148.3
Marvin Graves, Syracuse	SR	11	280	171	61.07	11	3.93	2547	9.10	15	5.36	147.3
Terry Dean, Florida	JR	10	200	118	59.00	10	5.00	1651	8.25	17	8.50	146.4
Steve Stenstrom, Stanford	SR	11	455	300	65.93	14	3.08	3627	7.97	27	5.93	146.3
Danny Wuertfel, Florida	JR	11	273	159	58.24	10	3.66	2230	8.17	22	8.06	146.1
Cale Gundy, Oklahoma	SR	11	243	144	59.26	6	2.47	2096	8.63	14	5.76	145.8
Jason Stanicek, North Carolina	JR	12	217	139	64.06	10	4.61	1874	8.64	12	5.53	145.6
Scott Milanovich, Maryland	SO	11	431	279	64.73	18	4.18	3499	8.12	26	6.03	144.5

TOTAL OFFENSE

		rushing						passing			total offense	
	cl	car	gain	loss	net	att	yds	p/s	yds	ydpl	tdr	yts pg
Chris Vargas, Nevada	SR	45	140	73	67	490	4265	535	4332	8.10	35	393.82
Mike McCoy, Utah	JR	99	356	247	109	430	3860	529	3969	7.50	21	330.75
Eric Zeier, Georgia	JR	59	161	204	-43	425	3525	484	3482	7.19	25	316.55
Scott Milanovich, Maryland	SO	91	208	270	-62	431	3499	522	3437	6.58	29	312.45
John Walsh, Brigham Young	SO	83	70	377	-307	397	3727	480	3420	7.13	31	310.91
Steve Stenstrom, Stanford	SR	57	39	268	-229	455	3627	512	3398	6.64	27	308.91
Charlie Ward, Florida St.	SR	65	452	113	339	380	3032	445	3371	7.58	31	306.45
Glenn Foley, Boston College	SR	26	38	82	-44	363	3397	389	3353	8.62	25	304.82
Anthony Calvillo, Utah St.	JR	89	298	186	112	469	3148	558	3260	5.84	23	296.36
Trent Diller, Fresno St.	JR	36	74	138	-64	333	3276	369	3212	8.70	29	292.00
Joe Hughes, Wyoming	SR	54	165	136	29	371	3135	425	3164	7.44	28	287.64
Tim Gutierrez, San Diego St.	JR	36	2	211	-209	341	3033	377	2824	7.49	24	282.40
Danny O'Neil, Oregon	JR	97	174	311	-137	360	3224	457	3087	6.75	23	280.64
Robert Hall, Texas Tech	SR	101	392	247	145	341	2894	442	3039	6.88	25	276.27
Jeff Garcia, San Jose St.	SR	119	559	200	359	356	2608	475	2967	6.25	24	269.73
Gus Fierotte, Tulsa	SR	73	161	151	10	383	2871	456	2881	6.32	22	261.91
Rob Johnson, Southern Cal	JR	76	107	284	-177	405	3285	481	3108	6.46	27	259.00
Kordell Stewart, Colorado	JR	102	675	151	524	294	2299	396	2823	7.13	17	256.64
Stoney Case, New Mexico	JR	126	549	220	329	304	2490	430	2819	6.56	31	256.27
Marvin Graves, Syracuse	SR	102	362	213	149	280	2547	382	2696	7.06	21	245.09
Jeff Brohm, Louisville	SR	78	289	244	45	304	2626	382	2671	6.99	23	242.82
Joe Youngblood, Central Mich.	SR	44	106	179	-73	287	2466	331	2393	7.23	18	239.30
Symon Willis, Virginia	SO	73	352	130	222	276	2347	349	2569	7.36	20	233.55
Spence Fischer, Duke	JR	48	167	150	17	387	2551	435	2568	5.90	12	233.45
Dave Barr, California	JR	75	182	280	-98	275	2619	350	2521	7.20	21	229.18

*Touchdowns responsible for

ALL-PURPOSE RUNNERS

	cl	g	rush	rec	pr	kor	yds	yds pg	plays	yds pl
LeShon Johnson, Northern Illinois	SR	11	1976	106	0	0	2082	189.27	343	6.07
Terrell Willis, Rutgers	FR	11	1261	61	0	704	2026	184.18	234	8.66
Marshall Faulk, San Diego St.	JR	12	1530	644	0	0	2174	181.17	347	6.27
Byron Morris, Texas Tech	JR	11	1752	150	0	0	1902	172.91	320	5.94
Mike Adams, Texas	SO	11	68	908	256	622	1854	168.55	106	17.49
Napoleon Kaufman, Washington	JR	11	1299	139	25	388	1851	168.27	268	6.91
David Palmer, Alabama	JR	12	278	1000	244	439	1961	163.42	154	12.73
Tyrone Wheatley, Michigan	JR	9	1005	152	0	246	1403	155.89	213	6.59
Chris Penn, Tulsa	SR	11	2	1578	134	0	1714	155.82	121	14.17
John Leach, Wake Forest	SR	11	1089	340	9	253	1691	153.73	269	6.29
Bryan Reeves, Nevada	SR	10	3	1362	109	25	1499	149.90	115	13.03
Thomas Lewis, Indiana	JR	11	45	881	284	429	1639	149.00	109	15.04
Andre Coleman, Kansas St.	SR	11	24	761	362	434	1581	143.73	87	18.17
Darnay Scott, San Diego St.	JR	11	98	1262	0	220	1580	143.64	87	18.16
Ron Rivers, Fresno St.	SR	11	1440	118	0	7	1585	142.27	231	6.77
Dwayne Thomas, Virginia Tech	SO	11	1130	115	0	305	1550	140.91	245	6.33
Demond Thompkins, UNLV	JR	11	0	1068	12	442	1522	138.36	80	19.02
Ryan Yarbrough, Wyoming	SR	11	0	1512	0	0	1512	137.45	67	22.57
Brent Moss, Wisconsin	JR	11	1479	19	0	0	1498	136.18	280	5.35
Barry Boyd, Southern Miss	SR	11	805	74	0	587	1466	133.27	207	7.08
Todd Dixon, Wake Forest	SR	10	27	558	167	578	1330	133.00	75	17.73
Curtis Martin, Pittsburgh	JR	10	1075	249	0	0	1324	132.40	243	5.45
Junior Smith, East Carolina	JR	11	1352	101	0	0	1453	132.09	290	5.01
Tony Jackson, Vanderbilt	SR	11	607	70	11	753	1441	131.00	162	8.90
Zeb Jackson, Bowling Green	SR	10	952	138	0	214	1304	130.40	257	5.07

*Includes interceptions return yardage

RECEPTIONS PER GAME

		cl	g	cl	yds	td	clpg
Chris Penn, Tulsa	SR	11	105	1578	12	9.55	
Bryan Reeves, Nevada	SR	10	91	1362	17	9.10	
Michael Stephens, Nevada	SR	11	80	1062	7	7.27	
Brice Hunter, Georgia	SO	11	76	970	9	6.91	
Darnay Scott, San Diego St.	JR	11	75	1262	10	6.82	
Isaac Bruce, Memphis St.	SR	11	74	1054	10	6.73	
Brian Dusho, Kent	SR	11	72	890	1	6.55	
Johnnie Morton, Southern Cal	SR	12	78	1373	12	6.50	
Mike Lee, Utah St.	SR	11	70	715	5	6.36	
Mike Jones, Wyoming	SR	11	69	763	5	6.27	
Russ Weaver, Maryland	JR	11	69	606	2	6.27	
J.J. Stokes, UCLA	JR	11	68	1005	17	6.18	
Kez McCorvey, Florida St.	JR	12	74	966	6	6.17	
Ryan Yarbrough, Wyoming	SR	11	67	1512	16	6.09	
Pete Mitchell, Boston College	JR	11	66	818	7	6.00	
Omar Douglas, Minnesota	SR	10	60	880	11	6.00	
Lloyd Hill, Texas Tech	SR	10	57	794	6	5.70	
Justin Armour, Stanford	JR	9	51	764	6	5.67	
Demond Thompkins, UNLV	JR	11	62	1068	8	5.64	
Brian Oliver, Ball St.	JR	11	62	1010	10	5.64	

INTERCEPTIONS

	cl	g	no	yds	td	pg
Orianda Thomas, <i>Southwestern La.</i>	JR	11	9	84	1	8.2
Anthony Bridges, <i>Louisville</i>	JR	11	7	184	2	6.4
Alundis Brice, <i>Mississippi</i>	JR	11	7	98	2	6.4
Antonio Langham, <i>Alabama</i>	SR	11	7	67	1	6.4
Troy Jensen, <i>San Jose St.</i>	SR	11	7	60	0	6.4
Ernest Boyd, <i>Utah</i>	JR	10	6	126	1	6.0
Orlando Watters, <i>Arkansas</i>	SR	11	6	185	2	5.5
Marvin Goodwin, <i>UCLA</i>	JR	11	6	136	0	5.5
Nathan Bennett, <i>Rice</i>	SR	11	6	123	1	5.5
Tony Bouie, <i>Arizona</i>	JR	11	6	100	0	5.5
David Thomas, <i>Miami (OH)</i>	JR	11	6	63	0	5.5
Walt Harris, <i>Mississippi St.</i>	SO	11	6	59	0	5.5
Marcus Jenkins, <i>Kentucky</i>	SR	11	6	45	0	5.5
Jeff Messenger, <i>Wisconsin</i>	JR	11	6	41	0	5.5
Corey Sawyer, <i>Florida St.</i>	JR	12	6	90	0	5.0
Jason Sehorn, <i>Southern Cal</i>	SR	12	6	45	0	5.0
Tony Pittman, <i>Penn St.</i>	JR	10	5	40	0	5.0
Brian Robinson, <i>Auburn</i>	SO	11	5	131	2	4.5
Scott Nelson, <i>Wisconsin</i>	SR	11	5	120	0	4.5
Raymond Jackson, <i>Colorado St.</i>	SO	11	5	117	1	4.5

SCORING

	cl	g	ld	xp	fg	pts	pt pg
Byron Morris, <i>Texas Tech</i>	JR	11	22	2	0	134	12.18
Marshall Faulk, <i>San Diego St.</i>	JR	12	24	0	0	144	12.00
Darnell Campbell, <i>Boston Collge</i>	SR	11	21	0	0	126	11.45
Bryan Reeves, <i>Nevada</i>	SR	10	17	0	0	102	10.20
David Small, <i>Cincinnati</i>	SR	10	17	0	0	102	10.20
Lindsey Chapman, <i>California</i>	SR	11	17	0	0	102	9.27
J.J. Stokes, <i>UCLA</i>	JR	11	17	0	0	102	9.27
Ryan Yarbrough, <i>Wyoming</i>	SR	11	16	2	0	98	8.91
Calvin Jones, <i>Nebraska</i>	JR	9	13	0	0	78	8.67
John Becksvort, <i>Tennessee</i>	JR	11	0	59	12	95	8.64
Derek Mahoney, <i>Fresno St.</i>	SR	11	0	51	14	93	8.45
Kanon Parkman, <i>Georgia</i>	SO	11	0	35	19	92	8.36
Leon Johnson, <i>North Carolina</i>	FR	12	16	4	0	100	8.33
Bjorn Merten, <i>UCLA</i>	FR	11	0	31	20	91	8.27
Terry Venetoulis, <i>Texas A&M</i>	SR	11	0	51	13	90	8.18
Nathan Morreale, <i>Utah St.</i>	FR	11	0	33	19	90	8.18
Michael Proctor, <i>Alabama</i>	SO	12	0	31	22	97	8.08
Judd Davis, <i>Florida</i>	JR	12	0	51	15	96	8.00
Tyrone Wheatley, <i>Michigan</i>	JR	9	12	0	0	72	8.00
Scott Bentley, <i>Florida St.</i>	JR	12	0	56	13	95	7.92
Kevin Pendergast, <i>Notre Dame</i>	SR	11	0	45	14	87	7.91
Peter Holt, <i>San Diego St.</i>	FR	12	0	45	16	93	7.75

FINAL DIVISION I-A TEAM LEADERS

PUNT RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 per game)	cl	no	yds	ld	avg
Aaron Glenn, Texas A&M	SR	17	339	2	19.94
Shawn Summers, Tennessee	SO	18	255	1	14.17
Lee Gissendanner, Northwestern	SR	16	223	0	13.94
Scott Gurnea, Mississippi St.	JR	13	180	1	13.85
Andre Coleman, Kansas St.	SR	27	362	1	13.41
Eddie Kennison, Louisiana St.	FR	20	266	0	13.30
Todd Dixon, Wake Forest	SR	13	167	1	12.85
James Oye, Utah St.	SO	21	256	1	12.19
Bobby Engram, Penn St.	SO	33	402	0	12.18
Greg Myers, Colorado St.	SO	27	325	0	12.04
Dexter McClean, Clemson	FR	14	168	0	12.00
L.T. Gulley, Southern Miss.	SO	18	214	0	11.89
Chris Hudson, Colorado	JR	15	175	0	11.67
Ta Boris Fisher, Mississippi	FR	29	330	1	11.38
Clyde McCoy, Arizona St.	JR	23	259	0	11.26
Polee Banks, New Mexico St.	SR	18	199	1	11.06
Ray Peterson, San Diego St.	SO	30	330	0	11.00
Sorola Palmer, Florida	SO	12	129	0	10.75
Paul Guidry, UCLA	FR	27	282	0	10.44
Prentice Rhone, Wyoming	SR	32	334	1	10.44

PUNTING

(Min. 3.6 per game)	cl	no	g	yds	avg
Chris Macinnis, Air Force	SR	49	12	2303	47.00
Terry Daniel, Auburn	JR	51	11	2393	46.92
Mike Nesbitt, New Mexico	SR	53	11	2387	45.04
Brad Faunce, UNLV	JR	61	11	2745	45.00
Pat O'Neill, Syracuse	SR	44	11	1950	44.32
Scott Milanovich, Maryland	SO	50	11	2189	43.78
Bryne Diehl, Alabama	JR	56	12	2441	43.59
Scott Tyner, Oklahoma St.	SR	75	11	3249	43.32
Alan Boardman, Brigham Young	FR	56	11	2415	43.13
Stephen Wilson, Hawaii	JR	46	12	1976	42.96
Todd Jordan, Mississippi St.	SR	56	11	2403	42.91
Robert King, Texas Tech	SR	54	11	2305	42.69
Kyle Pooler, Missouri	JR	72	11	3056	42.44
Aaron Mills, Stanford	SR	63	11	2660	42.22
Gary Layton, Miami (OH)	JR	65	11	2744	42.22
Will Brice, Virginia	FR	48	11	2025	42.19
Darren Schager, UCLA	JR	64	11	2685	41.95
Wes Garner, Eastern Michigan	FR	65	11	2714	41.75
Dan Eichloff, Kansas	SR	59	12	2450	41.53
Nick Gallery, Iowa	FR	50	11	2071	41.42

FIELD GOALS

	cl	g	fga	fg	pct	lg	pg
Michael Proctor, Alabama	SO	12	29	22	75.9	1.83	
Bjorn Merten, UCLA	FR	11	25	20	80.0	1.82	
Nathan Moreale, Utah St.	FR	11	27	19	70.4	1.73	
Karon Parkman, Georgia	SO	11	27	19	70.4	1.73	
Jon Baker, Arizona St.	JR	11	26	18	69.2	1.64	
Tom Dallen, Cincinnati	JR	11	22	17	77.3	1.55	
Tom Burke, Mississippi St.	SR	11	23	17	73.9	1.55	
Aaron Price, Washington St.	SR	11	31	17	54.8	1.55	
Tommy Thompson, Oregon	SR	11	21	16	76.2	1.45	
Chris Boniol, Louisiana Tech	SR	11	22	16	72.7	1.45	
Scott Sereby, Texas	SR	11	22	16	72.7	1.45	
Chris Yergensen, Utah	SO	12	17	17	100.0	1.42	
Andre Laffey, Louisiana St.	SO	10	17	14	82.4	1.40	
Nelson Welch, Clemson	JR	11	24	15	62.5	1.36	
Peter Holt, San Diego St.	FR	12	23	16	69.6	1.33	
Steve McLaughlin, Arizona	JR	10	20	13	65.0	1.30	
Jeff Caldwell, Arkansas St.	JR	11	17	14	82.4	1.27	
Kevin Pendergast, Notre Dame	SR	11	19	14	73.7	1.27	
Bill Manolopoulos, Indiana	SO	11	19	14	73.7	1.27	
Derek Mahoney, Fresno St.	SR	11	19	14	73.7	1.27	
Chris Richardson, Illinois	JR	11	20	14	70.0	1.27	
Travis Hanson, Washington	SR	11	22	14	63.6	1.27	

KICKOFF RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 per game)	cl	no	yds	ld	avg
Leeland McElroy, Texas A&M	FR	15	590	3	39.33
Chris Hewitt, Cincinnati	FR	14	441	1	31.50
Tyler Anderson, Brigham Young	SR	19	568	1	29.89
Andre Coleman, Kansas St.	SR	15	434	0	28.93
Jack Jackson, Florida	SO	17	480	1	28.24
Polee Banks, New Mexico St.	SR	14	394	1	28.14
Demond Thompkins, UNLV	JR	16	442	0	27.63
Steve Mehl, Pacific	SR	15	410	0	27.33
Mike Adams, Texas	SO	23	622	0	27.04
Dondra Jolly, Army	JR	19	510	0	26.84
Steve Christensen, Brigham Young	SR	14	373	0	26.64
Shelly Hammonds, Penn St.	SR	16	424	0	26.50
Sam Rogers, UTEP	SO	17	450	1	26.47
Kalief Muhammad, Baylor	FR	18	471	0	26.17
Napoleon Kaufman, Washington	JR	15	388	0	25.87
Derrick Steagall, Georgia Tech	FR	16	413	0	25.81
Keith Williams, Utah	SO	21	542	1	25.81
Kenny Gunn, Tulsa	SR	20	492	0	24.60
Jimmy Oliver, Texas Christian	JR	20	492	0	24.60
Ainsworth Morgan, Toledo	SR	29	713	1	24.59

RUSHING OFFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	ld	yds pg
Army	11	660	3283	5.0	35	298.5
Oregon St.	11	675	3254	4.8	25	295.8
Nebraska	11	589	3167	5.4	39	287.9
Air Force	12	713	3419	4.8	29	284.9
Hawaii	12	569	3247	5.7	35	270.6
Notre Dame	11	561	2868	5.1	37	260.7
North Carolina	12	628	3036	4.8	39	253.0
Wisconsin	11	557	2759	5.0	26	250.8
West Virginia	11	542	2684	5.0	28	244.0
Virginia Tech	11	582	2671	4.6	28	242.8
Iowa St.	11	575	2667	4.6	22	242.5
Colorado	11	522	2640	5.1	26	240.0
Tennessee	11	442	2621	5.9	27	238.3
Penn St.	11	532	2597	4.9	27	236.1
Rutgers	11	479	2588	5.4	27	235.3
Texas A&M	11	505	2577	5.1	27	234.3
Baylor	11	605	2510	4.1	30	228.2
Georgia Tech	11	467	2463	5.3	20	223.9
Florida St.	12	470	2667	5.7	26	222.3
Fresno St.	11	458	2438	5.3	24	221.6

RUSHING DEFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	ld	yds pg
Arizona	11	368	331	9	5	30.1
Washington	11	438	949	2.2	11	85.3
Southwestern La.	11	378	975	2.6	12	88.6
Notre Dame	11	331	985	3.0	8	89.5
Florida St.	12	397	1182	3.0	6	98.5
Mississippi	11	463	1127	2.4	8	102.5
North Carolina	12	410	1230	3.0	10	102.5
Michigan	11	379	1179	3.1	6	107.2
Florida	12	417	1334	3.2	9	111.2
Illinois	11	444	1265	2.8	10	115.0
Ohio St.	11	409	1275	3.1	6	115.9
Tennessee	11	433	1290	3.0	8	117.3
Bowling Green	11	418	1291	3.1	10	117.4
Miami	11	435	1297	3.0	9	117.9
Penn St.	11	423	1316	3.1	12	119.6
Memphis St.	11	430	1320	3.1	9	120.0
Washington	11	442	1322	3.0	10	120.2
West Virginia	11	392	1323	3.4	8	120.3
Wisconsin	11	371	1351	3.6	9	122.8
UCLA	11	435	1371	3.2	10	124.6

TOTAL OFFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	ld*	yds pg
Nevada	11	955	6260	6.6	56	569.09
Florida St.	12	939	6576	7.0	63	548.00
Fresno St.	11	808	5863	7.3	53	533.00
Boston College	11	827	5570	6.7	51	506.36
Utah	12	906	5815	6.4	43	484.58
Tennessee	11	762	5289	6.9	58	480.55
Florida	12	888	5719	6.4	59	476.58
Texas Tech	11	854	5225	6.1	51	475.00
Brigham Young	11	853	5222	6.1	51	474.73
Colorado	11	841	5175	6.2	40	470.45
San Diego St.	12	914	5586	6.1	51	465.50
Wisconsin	11	820	5116	6.2	46	465.09
West Virginia	11	781	5103	6.5	49	463.91
Virginia Tech	11	830	4885	5.9	52	444.09
Utah St.	11	879	4863	5.5	36	442.64
Maryland	11	854	4836	5.7	35	439.69
North Carolina	12	884	5252	5.9	52	437.67
Hawaii	12	803	5184	6.5	52	432.00
Georgia	11	776	4733	6.1	36	430.27
Wyoming	11	775	4731	6.1	44	430.09
Miami	11	807	4731	5.9	42	430.09

TOTAL DEFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	ld*	yds pg
Mississippi	11	727	2580	3.5	13	234.5
Arizona	11	739	2606	3.5	14	236.9
Texas A&M	11	740	2724	3.7	10	247.6
Miami	11	723	2814	3.9	15	255.8
Alabama	12	738	3104	4.2	19	258.7
Florida St.	12	773	3414	4.4	15	284.5
Bowling Green	11	715	3285	4.6	22	298.6
Washington St.	11	773	3287	4.3	27	298.8
Ohio St.	11	744	3293	4.4	19	299.4
Indiana	11	747	3336	4.5	18	303.3
Cincinnati	11	779	3365	4.3	22	305.9
Nebraska	11	726	3384	4.7	22	307.6
Tennessee	11	780	3395	4.4	15	308.6
Illinois	11	746	3402	4.6	22	309.3
Auburn	11	699	3418	4.9	22	310.7
Memphis St.	11	764	3440	4.5	23	312.7
Washington	11	759	3441	4.5	22	312.8
Western Michigan	11	730	3449	4.7	23	313.5
Oklahoma	11	702	3449	4.9	24	313.5
Notre Dame	11	753	3487	4.6	25	317.0

*Touchdowns scored by rushing or passing only

TURNOVER MARGIN

	turnovers gained	turnovers lost	margin
UCLA	21	18	39
Fresno St.	15	16	31
Cincinnati	13	14	27
Tennessee	15	18	33
Texas A&M	19	13	32
Mississippi	15	15	30
Penn St.	21	32	6
Colorado	13	26	6
Notre Dame	10	22	5
Texas Tech	16	14	30
Clemson	11	28	9
West Virginia	21	20	14
Oklahoma	9	26	10
Eastern Michigan	14	15	29
Southwestern La.	15	22	37
Virginia Tech	14	13	27
Indiana	12	24	9
Wisconsin	6	22	28
Baylor	13	13	26

PASSING OFFENSE

	<i>g</i>	<i>att</i>	<i>cmp</i>	<i>int</i>	<i>pct</i>	<i>yds</i>	<i>avg</i>	<i>td</i>	<i>yds pg</i>
Nevada	11	516	343	19	66.5	4373	8.5	34	397.5
Brigham Young	11	458	278	18	60.7	4060	8.9	31	369.1
Maryland	11	473	302	21	63.8	3823	8.1	26	347.5
Florida	12	488	284	21	58.2	4072	8.3	41	339.3
Stanford	11	474	308	14	65.0	3709	7.8	27	337.2
Florida St.	12	469	327	6	69.7	3909	8.3	37	325.8
Utah	12	433	278	10	64.2	3891	9.0	22	324.3
Georgia	11	432	272	7	63.0	3552	8.2	24	322.9
San Diego St.	12	465	269	14	57.8	3836	8.2	28	319.7
Fresno St.	11	350	225	5	64.3	3425	9.8	29	311.4
Boston College	11	368	224	11	60.9	3420	9.3	25	310.9
Minnesota	11	500	260	27	52.0	3277	6.6	22	297.9
Oregon	11	369	228	15	61.8	3270	8.9	25	297.3
Wyoming	11	378	212	9	56.1	3217	8.5	25	292.5
Southern Cal.	12	432	297	5	68.8	3484	8.1	28	290.3
Tulsa	11	409	232	15	56.7	3153	7.7	21	286.6
Utah St.	11	471	247	10	52.4	3148	6.7	19	286.2
Duke	11	477	249	19	52.2	2999	6.3	14	272.6
Louisville	11	343	199	11	58.0	2923	8.5	23	265.7
Texas Tech	11	351	218	7	62.1	2914	8.3	21	264.9

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PASSING EFFICIENCY

(Min. 15 att. per game)	cl	g	att	cmp	pct	int	pct	yds	avg	td	pct	rating
Shawn Knight, William & Mary.....	JR	10	177	125	70.62	4	2.26	2055	11.61	22	12.43	204.6
Doug Nussmeier, Idaho.....	SR	11	304	185	60.86	5	1.64	2960	9.74	33	10.86	175.2
Kevin Simmons, Troy St.....	SR	11	224	143	63.84	6	2.68	2144	9.57	23	10.27	172.8
Dave Dickenson, Montana.....	SO	11	390	262	67.18	9	2.31	3640	9.33	32	8.21	168.0
Dan Crowley, Towson St.....	JR	10	217	125	57.60	4	1.84	1882	8.67	23	10.60	161.7
Roy Fletcher, Drake.....	SO	8	136	75	55.15	2	1.47	1264	9.29	11	8.09	157.0
Robert Cobb, Northeast Louisiana.....	SR	11	345	197	57.10	8	2.32	3008	8.72	29	8.41	153.4
Scott Semplipheller, Lehigh.....	SR	11	413	249	60.29	13	3.15	3449	8.35	30	7.26	148.1
Kurt Warner, Northern Iowa.....	SR	11	268	158	58.96	13	4.85	2484	9.27	16	5.97	146.8
Darin Hinshaw, Central Florida.....	JR	11	321	191	59.32	12	3.73	2645	8.21	24	7.45	145.5
Todd Bennett, Eastern Washington.....	JR	9	226	117	51.77	3	1.33	1956	8.65	16	7.08	145.2
Rich Green, New Hampshire.....	SR	9	173	92	53.18	7	4.05	1516	8.76	12	6.94	141.6
Tom Proudian, Iowa.....	SO	10	440	262	59.55	13	2.95	3369	7.65	29	6.59	139.7
Maseo Bolin, North Carolina A&T.....	SO	11	235	133	56.60	5	2.13	1832	7.60	15	6.38	138.9
Chris Hixson, Rhode Island.....	FR	11	269	162	60.22	8	2.97	2218	8.25	12	4.46	138.3
Mitch Maher, North Texas.....	JR	11	324	176	54.32	13	4.01	2595	8.01	24	7.41	138.0
John Whitcomb, Ala.-Birmingham.....	JR	11	389	238	61.18	13	3.34	3012	7.74	21	5.40	137.4
Jim McGeehan, Pennsylvania.....	SR	10	318	183	57.55	5	1.57	2197	6.91	24	7.55	137.3
Jay Walker, Howard.....	SR	11	406	223	54.93	13	3.20	3324	8.19	24	5.91	136.8
Kenyon Earl, Tennessee-Chattanooga.....	JR	11	264	146	55.30	15	5.68	2233	8.46	16	6.06	135.0
Mike Cawley, James Madison.....	SO	10	239	131	54.81	11	4.60	1988	8.32	14	5.86	134.8
Joel Foote, Princeton.....	SR	10	191	111	57.96	9	4.71	1632	8.54	7	3.66	133.6
Steve McNair, Alcorn St.....	JR	11	386	203	52.59	15	3.89	3197	8.28	22	5.70	133.2
Mike Jones, Tennessee Tech.....	JR	11	271	148	54.61	9	3.32	2009	7.38	18	6.64	131.9
George Beisel, Hofstra.....	SR	10	386	223	57.77	16	4.15	2867	7.43	23	5.96	131.5

TOTAL OFFENSE

		rushing					passing				total offense		
	cl	car	gain	loss	net	att	yds	pls	yds	ydpl	tdr	yds	pg
Dave Dickenson, Montana.....	SO	140	612	274	338	390	3640	530	3978	7.51	46	361.64	
Steve McNair, Alcorn St.....	JR	107	752	119	633	386	3197	493	3830	7.77	30	348.18	
Tom Proudian, Iowa.....	SO	81	226	272	-46	440	3368	521	3322	6.38	30	332.20	
Scott Semplipheller, Lehigh.....	SR	102	328	249	79	413	3449	515	3528	6.85	30	320.73	
Doug Nussmeier, Idaho.....	SR	96	656	102	554	304	2960	400	3514	8.78	41	319.45	
Jay Walker, Howard.....	SR	60	325	180	145	406	3324	466	3469	7.44	26	315.36	
George Beisel, Hofstra.....	SR	106	473	284	189	386	2867	492	3056	6.21	27	305.60	
Robert Dougherty, Boston U.....	JR	123	644	209	435	318	2435	441	2870	6.51	27	287.00	
Robert Cobb, Northeast Louisiana.....	SR	28	49	92	-43	345	3008	373	2965	7.95	29	269.55	
Jay Fiedler, Dartmouth.....	SR	92	309	166	143	321	2542	413	2685	6.50	26	268.50	
Eric Fish, Evansville.....	SO	57	178	140	38	380	2562	437	2600	5.95	20	260.00	
John Whitcomb, Ala.-Birmingham.....	JR	27	2	168	-166	389	3012	416	2846	6.84	21	258.73	
Brad Otton, Weber St.....	FR	35	56	121	-65	314	2307	349	2242	6.42	16	249.11	
Mitch Maher, North Texas.....	JR	82	242	126	116	324	2595	406	2711	6.68	31	246.45	
Darin Hinshaw, Central Florida.....	JR	45	73	136	-63	322	2645	367	2582	7.04	27	234.73	
Shawn Knight, William & Mary.....	JR	71	365	83	282	177	2055	248	2337	9.42	26	233.70	
Lonnie Galloway, Western Carolina.....	SR	109	625	141	484	237	2067	346	2551	7.37	9	231.91	
Jeff Lewis, Northern Arizona.....	SO	100	293	261	32	335	2497	435	2529	5.81	17	229.91	
Jim McGeehan, Pennsylvania.....	SR	67	219	123	96	318	2197	385	2293	5.96	26	229.30	
Rob Ray, Valparaiso.....	SR	84	374	99	275	237	1756	321	2031	6.33	12	225.67	
Richard Howell, Davidson.....	SR	204	1015	262	753	223	1451	427	2204	5.16	23	220.40	
Kevin Simmons, Troy St.....	SR	85	452	190	262	224	2144	309	2406	7.79	27	218.73	
Kenyon Earl, Tennessee-Chattanooga.....	JR	122	374	220	154	264	2233	386	2387	6.18	20	217.00	
Kurt Warner, Northern Iowa.....	SR	50	50	162	-112	268	2484	318	2372	7.46	19	215.64	
Cliff Scott, Buffalo.....	JR	182	547	460	87	320	2263	502	2350	4.68	16	213.64	

*Touchdowns responsible for

ALL-PURPOSE RUNNERS

	cl	g	rush	rec	pr	kor	yds*	yds pg	plays	yds pl
Tony Vinson, Towson St.....	SR	10	2016	57	0	0	2073	207.30	307	6.75
Keith Elias, Princeton.....	SR	10	1731	193	0	15	1939	193.90	322	6.02
Sherriden May, Idaho.....	JR	11	1267	331	0	296	1894	172.18	285	7.15
Robert Trice, Cal St. Northridge.....	SR	10	1362	157	0	139	1658	165.80	254	6.53
Terrance Stokes, Pennsylvania.....	JR	10	1211	284	0	162	1657	165.70	288	5.75
Daniel Harris, Southern Utah.....	SR	11	1202	86	18	493	1799	163.55	279	6.45
Chris Parker, Marshall.....	SO	11	1370	292	0	133	1795	163.18	248	7.24
Anthony Russo, St. John's (NY).....	SR	11	1558	183	0	0	1741	158.27	327	5.32
Richard Johnson, Butler.....	SR	10	1535	40	0	0	1575	157.50	332	4.74
Kevin Johnson, St. Peter's.....	FR	9	654	357	79	317	1407	156.33	173	8.13
Irving Spikes, Northeast Louisiana.....	SR	11	1563	150	0	0	1713	155.73	258	6.64
Pete Fitzpatrick, Cornell.....	SR	10	789	407	9	351	1556	155.60	228	6.82
Ozzie Young, Valparaiso.....	SO	10	446	442	162	505	1555	155.50	185	8.41
Bill Sparacio, Colgate.....	SR	11	1077	151	0	443	1671	151.91	311	5.37
Judd Mintz, Dayton.....	SR	10	1011	310	0	180	1501	150.10	204	7.36
Leon Brown, Eastern Kentucky.....	SR	9	1046	41	0	241	1328	147.56	160	8.30
Tony Phillips, Morgan St.....	JR	11	644	289	50	631	1614	146.73	185	8.72
Chad Briley, Drake.....	SR	10	57	804	95	500	1456	145.60	79	18.43
James Cunningham, Howard.....	JR	11	77	937	0	556	1570	142.73	91	17.25
Mike Penman, Eastern Kentucky.....	SR	11	1139	144	107	149	1539	139.91	213	7.23
James White, North Carolina A&T.....	SR	11	1316	204	0	0	1520	138.18	220	6.91
Kerry Hayes, Western Carolina.....	JR	11	29	679	223	584	1515	137.73	79	19.18
Phil Anderson, Delaware St.....	JR	11	1082	391	3	36	1512	137.45	181	8.35
Willie High, Eastern Illinois.....	SO	11	1487	21	0	0	1508	137.09	277	5.44
Wilbur Gilliard, Connecticut.....	SO	11	1099	123	0	285	1507	137.00	241	6.25

*Includes interception-return yards

RECEPTIONS PER GAME

	cl	g	ct	yds	td	ct pg
Dave Cecchini, Lehigh.....	SR	11	88	1318	16	8.00
Miles Macik, Pennsylvania.....	SO	10	72	840	13	7.20
David Rhodes, Central Florida.....	JR	11	78	1159	12	7.09
Derrick Ingram, Ala.-Birmingham.....	JR	11	76	1115	8	6.91
Todd Eckenrode, St. Francis (PA).....	SR	9	61	678	1	6.78
Hanz Hoag, Evansville.....	JR	10	66	778	6	6.60
Gary Harrell, Howard.....	SR	11	72	982	8	6.55
Wayne Chrebet, Hofstra.....	JR	9	57	788	9	6.33
Jeff Johnson, East Tennessee St.....	JR	11	69	915	11	6.27
John Hyland, Dartmouth.....	SR	10	62	1076	9	6.20
Chris Summers, Holy Cross.....	SR	11	68	1057	13	6.18
Blake Tuffli, St. Mary's (CA).....	FR	10	61	929	7	6.10
David Gamble, New Hampshire.....	SR	11	67	1138	13	6.09
Scott Gurnsey, Montana.....	JR	11	67	1079	9	6.09
Tony Brooks, Eastern Washington.....	SR	10	60	1024	7	6.00
Eugene McGowan, Iowa.....	SR	10	60	737	4	6.00
Elliott Miller, St. Francis (PA).....	SO	9	54	454	3	6.00
Lawrence Segree, Tennessee St.....	SO	11	65	870	5	5.91
David McLeod, James Madison.....	SR	11	64	1207	6	5.82
Maurice Jones, Liberty.....	SR	11	62	955	9	5.64

INTERCEPTIONS

	cl	g	no	yds	td	i pg
Chris Helon, Boston U.....	JR	11	10	42	0	.91
Zack Bronson, McNeese St.....	FR	11	9	251	1	.82
Shayne Snider, Valparaiso.....	JR	10	8	59	0	.80
Curtis Burgins, North Carolina A&T.....	SR	11	8	174	1	.73
Brent Alexander, Tennessee St.....	SR	11	8	121	0	.73
Bob Jordan, New Hampshire.....	SR	11	8	52	1	.73
Greg Pelletier, Canisius.....	SR	10	7	47	0	.70
Breon Parker, Massachusetts.....	SO	11	7	133	1	.64
Mark Grimmer, Montana St.....	SO	11	7	77	0	.64
Don Blackmon, Ala.-Birmingham.....	JR	11	7	33	1	.64
Donnie Abraham, E. Tennessee St.....	SO	11	7	20	0	.64
Aaron Bates, Towson St.....	SR	10	6	77	0	.60
Scott Buccola, San Diego.....	SR	9	5	98	1	.56
Matt Cope, Lafayette.....	SO	11	6	130	2	.55
Matt Stevens, Appalachian St.....	SO	11	6	124	0	.55
Cedric Walker, Stephen F. Austin.....	SR	11	6	94	0	.55
Adrian Smith, SW Missouri St.....	SR	11	6	82	1	.55
Ken Forte, St. John's (NY).....	FR	11	6	64	1	.55
Larry Whigham, NE Louisiana.....	SR	11	6	46	0	.55
Mark Miller, Bucknell.....	SO	11	6	5	0	.55

SCORING

	cl	g	td	xp	fg	pts	pt pg
Tony Vinson, <i>Towson St.</i>	SR	10	24	0	0	144	14.40
Keith Elias, <i>Princeton</i>	SR	10	21	4	0	130	13.00
Sherriden May, <i>Idaho</i>	JR	11	22	0	0	132	12.00
Richard Howell, <i>Davidson</i>	SR	10	18	2	0	110	11.00
Rupert Grant, <i>Howard</i>	JR	11	20	0	0	120	10.91
Anthony Russo, <i>St. John's (NY)</i>	SR	11	18	0	0	108	9.82
Kippy Bayless, <i>Middle Tennessee St.</i>	JR	11 ¹	17	2	0	104	9.45
Chris Purdy, <i>Wagner</i>	JR	9	13	6	0	84	9.33
Jeff Stovall, <i>Northern Iowa</i>	FR	11	17	0	0	102	9.27
Wilbur Gilliard, <i>Connecticut</i>	SO	11	17	0	0	102	9.27
Chris Parker, <i>Marshall</i>	SO	11	17	0	0	102	9.27
Dave Cecchini, <i>Lehigh</i>	SR	11	16	4	0	100	9.09
Jose Larios, <i>McNeese St.</i>	SO	11	0	32	22	98	8.91
Kelvin Johnson, <i>St. Peter's</i>	FR	9	13	2	0	80	8.89
Phil Anderson, <i>Delaware St.</i>	JR	11	16	0	0	96	8.73
Michael Hicks, <i>South Carolina St.</i>	SO	11	16	0	0	96	8.73
Mike Morello, <i>Boston U.</i>	JR	11	0	48	15	93	8.45
Pat Holacre, <i>Dayton</i>	SR	10	14	0	0	84	8.40
James White, <i>Northern Carolina A&T</i>	SR	11	15	0	0	90	8.18
Rene Ingolia, <i>Massachusetts</i>	SO	11	15	0	0	90	8.18
Tamron Smith, <i>Youngstown St.</i>	SR	11	15	0	0	90	8.18
Roger Miller, <i>EastLouis Louisiana</i>	JR	11	0	44	15	89	8.09
Miles Mack, <i>Pennsylvania</i>	SO	10	13	2	0	80	8.00
Charlie Pierce, <i>Central Florida</i>	FR	11	0	45	14	87	7.91
Mike Hollis, <i>Idaho</i>	SR	11	0	68	6	86	7.82

FINAL DIVISION I-AA TEAM LEADERS

PUNT RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 per game)	cl	no	yds	ld	avg
Ray Marshall, St. Peter's	JR	10	171	1	17.10
Eric Harrington, Cal-Sacramento	SR	17	250	1	14.71
Gregory White, Alcorn St.	SR	17	229	1	13.47
Jackie Kellogg, E. Washington	SR	23	300	2	13.04
Kevin Washington, NE Louisiana	JR	23	291	0	12.65
Eric Alden, Idaho St.	SR	12	150	0	12.50
Ozzie Young, Valparaiso	SO	13	162	1	12.46
Mark Orlando, Towson St.	JR	22	267	0	12.14
Shalon Baker, Montana	JR	18	216	1	12.00
Joe Rogers, Texas Southern	SR	14	168	0	12.00
Mike Porter, Samford	FR	19	223	0	11.74
Reggie Barlow, Alabama St.	SO	18	208	0	11.56
Dexter Dawson, Georgia Southern	SO	32	366	0	11.44
Erwin Brown, McNeese St.	SR	32	359	0	11.22
Lavelle Townsend, St. Mary's (CA)	JR	29	315	0	10.86
John O'Leary, St. John's (NY)	FR	20	213	0	10.65
Curtis Luper, Stephen F. Austin	SR	16	168	0	10.50
Barry Esposito, Dayton	SR	19	197	0	10.37
Brian Randall, Delaware St.	SR	14	143	0	10.21
Chuck Calhoun, SW Missouri St.	SR	31	313	0	10.10

PUNTING

(Min. 3.6 per game)	cl	no	g	yds	avg
Terry Belden, Northern Arizona	SR	59	11	2712	45.97
Ronnie McCutchan, Furman	SO	47	11	2057	43.77
Craig Melogran, Lehigh	SR	46	11	1972	42.87
Josh Farrell, Sam Houston St.	JR	48	11	2033	42.35
Roy Hudson, Weber St.	SR	54	11	2266	41.96
Pat Neck, McNeese St.	SR	54	11	2241	41.50
Eric Colvard, Liberty	SO	60	11	2482	41.37
Albert Razo, Cal St. Northridge	SR	79	10	3244	41.06
Scott Holmes, Samford	SO	57	11	2339	41.04
Danny Weeks, Boise St.	JR	60	11	2455	40.92
Tim McNamee, Eastern Kentucky	SR	59	11	2404	40.75
Randy Nate, Idaho St.	SR	49	11	1979	40.39
Josh Stiefken, Tenn.-Chattanooga	JR	37	10	1492	40.32
Derek Norton, SE Missouri St.	SR	67	11	2699	40.28
Travis Colquitt, Marshall	JR	47	11	1889	40.19
Ron White, Butler	SR	55	10	2205	40.09
Mike Neveve, Cal St. Sacramento	SR	46	10	1836	39.91
Will Burkett, Appalachian St.	SO	43	9	1716	39.91
Bubba Beasley, Tenn.-Martin	SR	78	11	3112	39.90
Scott Gurnsey, Montana	JR	45	11	1795	39.89

FIELD GOALS

	cl	g	fga	fg	pct	lg	pg
Jose Larios, McNeese St.	SO	11	28	22	78.6	2.00	
Todd Kurz, Illinois St.	FR	11	24	18	75.0	1.64	
Skip Thomas, Rhode Island	FR	11	25	17	68.0	1.55	
Matt Ornelaz, Cal St. Northridge	FR	8	16	11	68.8	1.38	
Roger Miller, NE Louisiana	JR	11	17	15	88.2	1.36	
David Merrick, Marshall	JR	11	21	15	71.4	1.36	
Terry Belden, Northern Arizona	SR	11	23	15	65.2	1.36	
Mike Morello, Boston U.	JR	11	26	15	57.7	1.36	
Mike Estrella, St. Mary's (CA)	SR	10	20	13	65.0	1.30	
Charlie Pierce, Central Florida	FR	11	18	14	77.8	1.27	
Kevin Thompson, AL-Birmingham	SR	11	18	14	77.8	1.27	
Jeff Stevens, Montana St.	FR	11	20	14	70.0	1.27	
Eric Oke, Massachusetts	JR	11	22	14	63.6	1.27	
Ray Whitehead, SW Texas St.	SO	11	16	13	81.3	1.18	
Garth Pellitri, Middle Tenn. St.	JR	11	16	13	81.3	1.18	
Jim Richter, Furman	SO	11	17	13	76.5	1.18	
Jeffery Wilkins, Youngstown St.	SR	11	20	13	65.0	1.18	
Derek Collins, E. Washington	FR	10	14	11	78.6	1.10	
Marc Horowitz, Pennsylvania	SR	10	15	11	73.3	1.10	
Reed Haley, Georgia Southern	JR	11	17	12	70.6	1.09	

KICKOFF RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 per game)	cl	no	yds	ld	avg
David Fraterriero, Canisius	SR	13	485	1	37.31
Kerry Hayes, Western Carolina	JR	16	584	3	36.50
Rory Lee, Western Illinois	JR	16	527	2	32.94
Naylon Albritton, South Carolina St.	SO	15	475	0	31.67
Cornelius Turner, Miss. Valley	JR	12	349	0	29.08
Randy McKee, Fordham	SR	21	599	1	28.52
Michael High, North Texas	SR	27	750	2	27.78
Robert Kilow, Troy St.	JR	14	382	0	27.29
Jon Riley, SE Missouri St.	FR	23	610	0	26.52
Dwight Robinson, James Madison	JR	18	477	2	26.50
James Cunningham, Howard	JR	21	556	1	26.48
Chad Briley, Drake	SR	19	500	1	26.32
Damon Boddie, Montana	JR	24	621	1	25.88
Adam Johnson, Idaho St.	FR	17	439	0	25.82
Brian Rodman, North Carolina A&T	JR	22	565	2	25.68
Marcus Hurl, Samford	SR	28	719	0	25.68
Sean Hill, Montana St.	SR	19	487	2	25.63
Matt Pericolosi, Central Conn.	SR	15	377	1	25.13
Obadiah Cooper, Eastern Illinois	SR	25	609	0	24.36
Cory Simpson, Middle Tenn. St.	JR	13	313	0	24.08

RUSHING OFFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	ld	yds pg
Western Kentucky	11	645	3301	5.1	31	300.1
Towson St.	10	491	2969	6.0	30	296.9
Delaware	11	610	3263	5.3	38	296.6
Massachusetts	11	624	3258	5.2	28	296.2
Eastern Kentucky	11	543	3189	5.9	35	289.9
North Carolina A&T	11	584	3125	5.4	36	284.1
Citadel	11	650	3074	4.7	30	279.5
Delaware St.	11	581	3034	5.2	36	275.8
Georgia Southern	11	589	2914	4.9	29	264.9
South Carolina St.	11	552	2909	5.3	35	264.5
Stephen F. Austin	11	552	2826	5.1	27	256.9
Idaho	11	468	2800	6.0	37	254.5
Princeton	10	513	2439	4.8	25	243.9
Youngstown St.	11	533	2671	5.0	34	242.8
William & Mary	11	526	2642	5.0	32	240.2
Drake	10	510	2398	4.7	21	239.8
Southwest Tex. St.	11	578	2585	4.5	24	235.0
Indiana St.	11	528	2482	4.7	21	225.6
Troy St.	11	487	2478	5.1	29	225.3
Nicholls St.	11	554	2463	4.4	27	223.9

RUSHING DEFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	ld	yds pg
Wagner	9	301	783	2.6	7	87.0
McNeese St.	11	387	996	2.6	13	90.5
Marist	10	342	952	2.8	8	95.2
Pennsylvania	10	366	967	2.6	7	96.7
Grambling	11	363	1091	3.0	10	99.2
Princeton	10	371	1028	2.8	6	102.8
Butler	10	363	1054	2.9	7	105.4
Central Florida	11	415	1181	2.8	16	107.4
Southern-B.R.	11	417	1201	2.9	6	109.2
Cal St. Northridge	10	376	1138	3.0	15	113.8
Troy St.	11	383	1253	3.3	10	113.9
Iona	10	392	1149	2.9	12	114.9
Alabama St.	10	383	1150	3.0	11	115.0
Northern Arizona	11	393	1317	3.4	13	119.7
South Carolina St.	11	421	1337	3.2	16	121.5
Cornell	10	405	1222	3.0	9	122.2
Boston U.	11	458	1353	3.0	10	123.0
Holstra	10	442	1240	2.8	9	124.0
St. John's (NY)	11	413	1378	3.3	16	125.3
Dayton	10	390	1260	3.2	8	126.0

TOTAL OFFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	ld*	yds pg
Idaho	11	791	5852	7.4	70	532.00
Towson St.	10	724	4903	6.8	54	490.30
NE Louisiana	11	758	5201	6.9	55	472.82
Delaware	11	804	5179	6.4	54	470.82
Montana	11	794	5155	6.5	56	468.64
William & Mary	11	758	5141	6.8	56	467.36
Boston U.	11	842	5113	6.1	47	464.82
Howard	11	803	5034	6.3	55	457.64
Alcorn St.	11	741	4986	6.7	43	453.27
North Carolina A&T	11	829	4969	6.0	51	451.73
Drake	10	739	4448	6.0	39	444.80
Weber St.	11	878	4892	5.6	39	444.73
Troy St.	11	731	4799	6.6	54	436.27
Grambling	11	746	4766	6.4	42	433.27
Central Florida	11	799	4675	5.9	45	425.00
Lehigh	11	821	4662	5.7	42	423.82
Iona	10	785	4164	5.3	42	416.40
New Hampshire	11	789	4570	5.8	42	415.45
Western Carolina	11	697	4521	6.5	29	411.00
Delaware St.	11	748	4502	6.0	49	409.27

*Touchdowns scored by rushing or passing only

TOTAL DEFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	ld*	yds pg
McNeese St.	11	724	2744	3.8	17	249.5
Southern-B.R.	11	689	2789	4.0	15	253.5
Grambling	11	704	3006	4.3	24	273.3
Southwest Mo. St.	11	712	3023	4.2	30	274.8
Pennsylvania	10	670	2816	4.2	16	281.6
Cornell	10	691	2854	4.1	20	285.4
Iona	10	716	2905	4.1	24	290.5
Tennessee Tech.	11	706	3199	4.5	17	290.8
Alabama St.	10	666	2959	4.4	23	295.9
Northern Iowa	11	792	3264	4.1	21	296.7
Dayton	10	685	2975	4.3	14	297.5
Marshall	11	731	3278	4.5	13	298.0
William & Mary	11	755	3296	4.4	27	299.6
Troy St.	11	703	3302	4.7	17	300.2
Mississippi Val.	10	665	3017	4.5	23	301.7
Florida A&M	11	705	3328	4.7	32	302.5
Evansville	10	659	3046	4.6	23	304.6
Western Kentucky	11	701	3360	4.8	27	305.5
Ala.-Birmingham	11	782	3367	4.3	28	306.1
Jackson St.	11	713	3383	4.7	30	307.5

*Touchdowns scored by rushing or passing only

TURNOVER MARGIN

	turnovers gained			turnovers lost			margin
	lum	int	total	lum	int	total	game
St. John's (NY).....	20	19	39	6	12	18	1.91
Dayton.....	18	16	34	5	12	17	1.70
Montana.....	17	17	34	7	10	17	1.55
Mississippi Valley.....	14	18	32	9	9	18	1.40
Towson St.....	10	20	30	12	4	16	1.40
Middle Tenn. St.....	12	22	34	14	6	20	1.27
Montana St.....	13	20	33	8	12	20	1.18
Colgate.....	18	18	36	13	10	23	1.18
Central Conn. St.....	14	15	29	4	14	18	1.10
Holy Cross.....	17	10	27	7	8	15	1.09
Boston U.....	18	20	38	5	21	26	1.09
Georgia Southern.....	17	17	34	17	5	22	1.09
McNeese St.....	16	25	41	15	14	29	1.09
Marshall.....	20	10	30	7	12	19	1.00
Pennsylvania.....	12	19	31	15	6	21	1.00
Stephen F. Austin.....	13	14	27	10	6	16	1.00
Ala.-Birmingham.....	15	23	38	11	16	27	1.00
North Carolina A&T.....	11	17	28	13	5	18	.91
William & Mary.....	10	14	24	10	4	14	.91
South Carolina St.....	23	18	41	22	9	31	.91

PASSING OFFENSE

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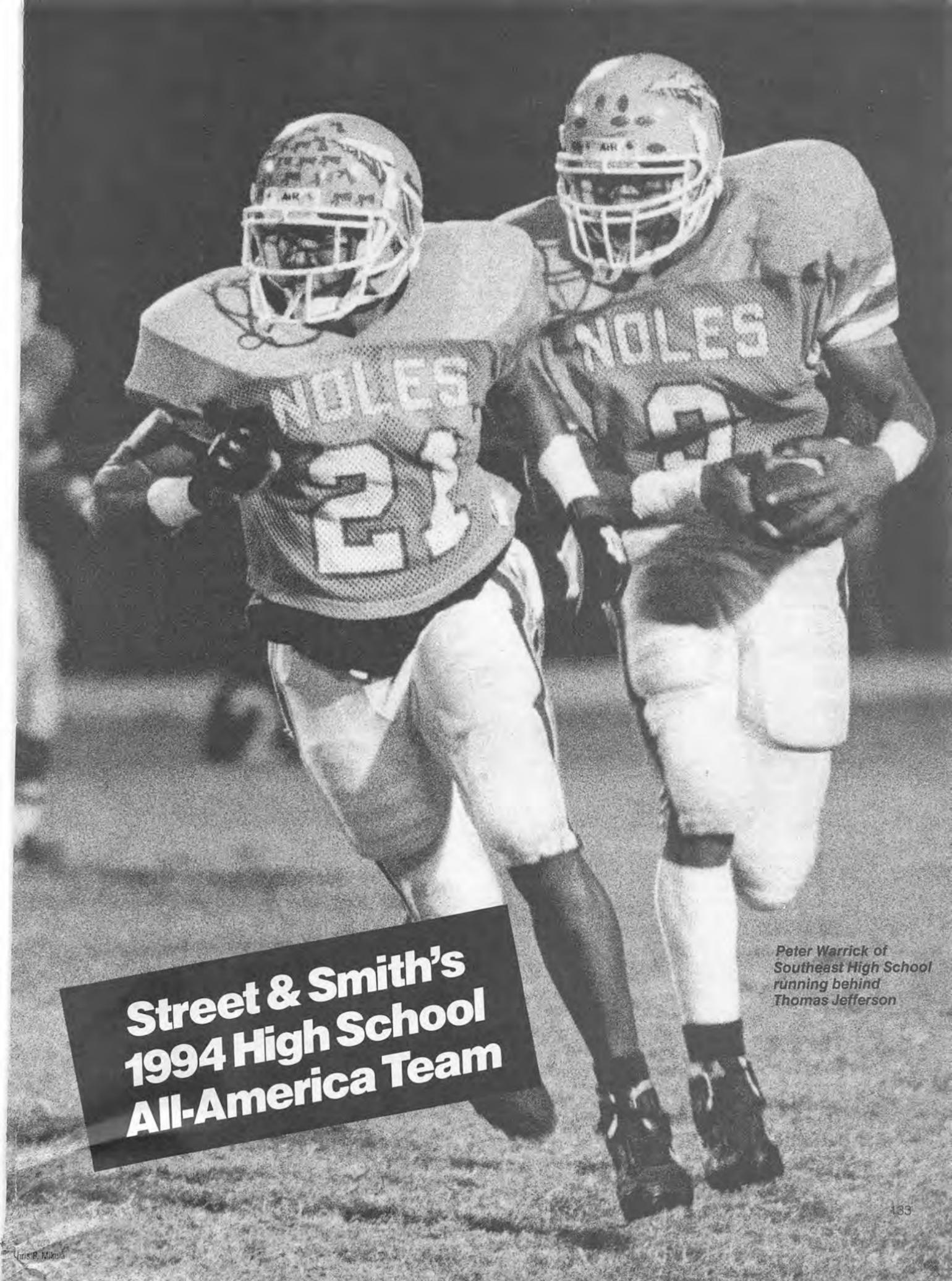
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**Street & Smith's
1994 High School
All-America Team**

*Peter Warrick of
Southeast High School
running behind
Thomas Jefferson*

by DOUG HUFF

WHEELING INTELLIGENCE

● Bigger, faster, stronger...and smarter. That's the overview of Street & Smith's 13th annual High School All-America team, an elite 50-player listing of seniors from 26 states. Fifteen of the selections compete in three of the high-profile states of California, Texas, and Florida, perennial hotbeds of recruiting talent. In assessing the honor roll, consider the following:

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2) A dozen of the skill-position players have clocked sub-4.5 times for 40 yards.

3) Nine have bench-pressed at least 350 pounds.

4) Fifteen, including all five offensive linemen, show at least 3.5 (out of 4.0) grade point averages in the classroom.

And if brains and brawn aren't enough, how about leadership to team success! The annual preseason listing features eight honorees who helped their teams to state football titles and two other standouts on state championship basketball squads.

QUARTERBACKS

Left-handed Brock Huard is continuing the family tradition at Puyallup High in Washington. Older brother Damon, now at the University of Washington, was a Street & Smith's honoree and both competed for father-coach Mike at Puyallup High. Brock, a straight-A student who is ranked first in a class of 600 students, passed for 1,744 yards and 16 touchdowns with only four interceptions in his first season at quarterback after playing tight end.

In Pennsylvania, Dan Kendra enters his fourth starting season at Bethlehem Catholic. A son of a former University of West Virginia quarterback who played in the Canadian League, the schoolboy has passed for 4,099 yards and 39 touchdowns while rushing for 1,191 yards and 19 TDs.

John McArthur rewrote the St. Louis area passing records last season for University High. He threw for a record 2,401 yards (and 25 touchdowns) after a sophomore season of 1,366 yards and 15 TDs.

In Alabama, football and basketball scouts are eyeing Steve Stanley of Colbert County High in Leighton after he led his teams to the state Class 3A football title and to the runner-up spot in basketball. He passed for 1,100 yards and 10 TDs last fall.

Quincy Woods of Rich East High in Park Forest, IL, opened some eyes last season when he passed for 2,395 yards and 20 TDs and rushed for 788 yards and 13 TDs.

RUNNING BACKS

In talent-rich Texas, the No. 1 prospect could be running back D'Andre Hardeman of North Shore High in Houston. The honor roll student, who also competes in basketball and track, is coming off a junior season when he rushed for 2,031 yards and 19 TDs in 10 games.

California is home to two selections: Steve Wofford of perennial contender Bakersfield and Jerry Brown of Taft High in Woodland Hills. Wofford, who was selected the California Sophomore and Junior of the Year, led the state in rushing last fall with 2,658 yards in 14 games and enters his final season with over 4,000 yards. Brown, a brother of former Heisman Trophy winner Charles White of USC and nephew of California All-America Russell White, was the Los Angeles City Player of the Year as a sophomore and rushed for 3,580 yards the last two seasons.

Two honorees hail from rival Big Eight Conference states Nebraska and Oklahoma. Ahman Green averaged 8.7 yards per carry for Central High in Omaha, NE. Bennie Butler led Del City, OK, to its first-ever unbeaten regular season in 1993 while gaining 1,674 yards. Also a track sprinter, he has scored 40 touchdowns and gained 2,656 yards in two years.

Fans in northern Louisiana know about Jamie Spencer of Ouachita High in Monroe. The fleet-footed 245-pounder rushed for 1,840 yards and 21 touchdowns and landed 15 passes for 307 yards and three TDs.

On Long Island in New York, veteran observers say Amos Zereoue is the best they've seen since all-time college and pro great Jim Brown. A four-sport performer for Mepham High in North Bellmore who moved to the U. S. in the fifth grade, he rushed for 2,111 yards and scored 198 points in 10 games last fall.

UTILITY PLAYERS

The Cincinnati area Player of the Year in '93 lived in Florence, KY, and played for Boone County High. Shawn Alexander opened some eyes by scoring 42 touchdowns and rushing for 2,401 yards, including one game of 334 yards and seven TDs.

The lone junior among the Mississippi all-state selections was Brian Darden of Warren Central High in Vicksburg. The two-way standout rushed for 1,762 yards and 29 TDs and impressed as a defensive back.

Kevin Faulk helped Carencro High of Lafayette, LA, to a state title as a sophomore and never looked back. A quarterback-running back-kick returner, he has rushed for 3,060 yards and 40 touchdowns and returned kicks for 901 yards and 11 TDs.

A jack-of-all-trades in Kansas is Mondriel Fulcher of Field Kindley High in Coffeyville. In football, he has played quarterback, running back, defensive back, wide receiver,

and kick returner. He's also a basketball and track standout.

After earning first-team all-Ohio honors as a junior, Charles Woodson of Ross High in Fremont is rated the top prospect in the Buckeye State. In 10 games last fall, he scored 27 TDs and rushed for 1,528 yards.

RECEIVERS

Prolific receivers and touted wideouts dot the prep scene this fall, including the top college prospects in Florida, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Southeast High in Bradenton, FL, is coming off a 14-0 record season capped by the state Class 4A title and appear one of the nation's top teams this fall. One reason is Peter Warrick, who caught 34 passes for 580 yards and 12 TDs. He returned 19 punts for 406 yards and had five 30-plus-yard gains nullified by infractions.

In Pennsylvania, Corey Jones has made headlines in track and football for Conestoga Valley High near Lancaster. He had 61 receptions for 1,200 yards and 14 TDs in 11 games. In track, the sophomore was an unbeaten state champion with a 47-second time for 400 meters.

Some West Virginia observers feel Randy Moss of DuPont High in Belle might be the Mountain State's best-ever all-round athlete. He's led his team to two straight Class AAA state football titles while earning first-team all-state berths. He was selected the co-Player of the Year in basketball after DuPont was the state runner-up. In the spring, he plays baseball for the state's top-ranked team and found time to win the 100- and 200-meter sprints as a sophomore. On the gridiron last season, he caught 40 passes for 972 yards and 14 touchdowns, rushed 37 times for 484 yards and five TDs, returned 25 kicks for 368 yards and two TDs, and returned two of six interceptions for scores. He also punted, kicked off, and booted a field goal while scoring 152 points.

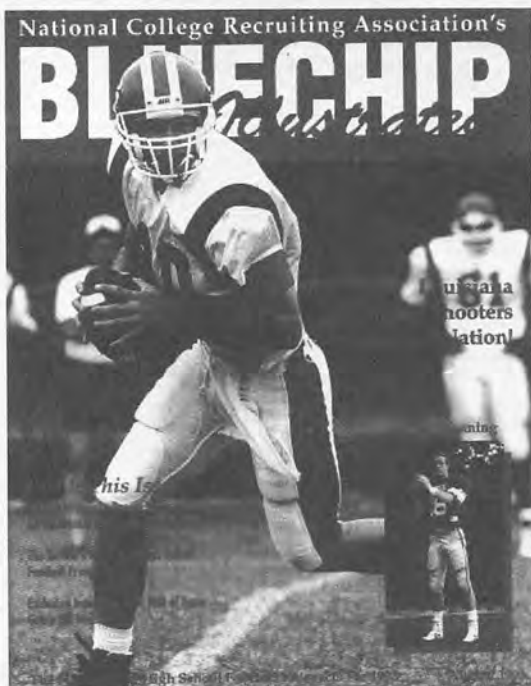
The top-ranked preseason team in California could be Bishop Amat of La Puente, and one reason is Daylon McCutcheon, the son of ex-Ram Lawrence McCutcheon. Also a track sprinter, Daylon has impressed the last two years with 64 catches for 1,389 yards and 20 touchdowns and has returned three of eight interceptions for TDs.

In New Jersey, all-stater Anthony Di-Cosmo of Bergen Catholic had a productive junior season with 70 receptions for 996 yards and 10 TDs plus six conversion catches in nine games.

TIGHT ENDS

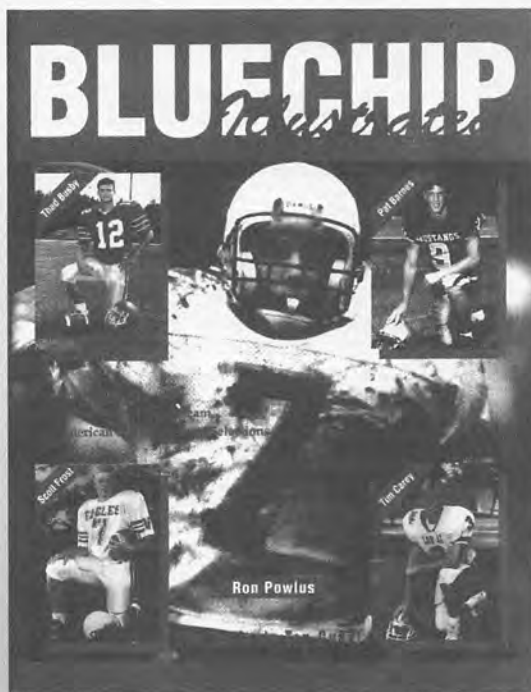
Cuncho Brown of Parkland High in Winston-Salem, NC, and Tony Vella of Bishop O'Dowd High in Oakland, CA, are active all year. The two tight ends-defensive ends excel in non-football sports during the summer: Brown in AAU basketball and Vella in

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baseball. Brown also was a regular on Parkland's state runner-up basketball team. Vella, the son of ex-USC and Los Angeles Raider lineman John Vella, caught 27 passes for 326 yards and four TDs and recorded 12 sacks the last two seasons.

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

The top prospects in Georgia this season are offensive linemen: Matt Stinchcomb of Parkview High in Lilburn and converted tight end T.J. Meers of McEachern High of Powder Springs.

Indiana's top prospect is Mike Rosenthal of Penn High of Mishawaka, which has won its last 67 regular-season games. Rosenthal and Nebraska's Tim Ridder both earned all-state honors. Ridder's team, Creighton Prep of Omaha, won a state title.

Texas always has its share of good-sized, promising linemen, and Brandon Houston of Katy High in Taylor fits the bill.

KICKER

Randy Jones of Ferris High in Spokane, WA, is more than an all-state kicker-punter. The wide receiver-defensive back caught 30 passes for 560 yards and six TDs last season when he wasn't kicking six fields of 57, 52, 50, 42, 42, and 42 yards.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

California is home to two of the most touted nose guards in Phil Fonua of Mira Costa High in Manhattan Beach and David Gates of Morse High in San Diego, a pair of 6-2, 280-pounders. Fonua, whose parents hail from Tonga, also played fullback and scored 19 TDs for a 13-1 record team. A topnotch shot-putter in track and a basketball starter, Fonua has two older brothers who play football at Arizona and El Camino, California. Gates is one of the state's top heavyweight wrestlers.

Chad Pegues of Gainesville, TX, is a two-time all-district honoree who was in on 132 tackles last fall. Tennessee all-stater Spencer Riley of Jefferson County in Dandridge will be a four-year regular. He has 164 tackles, 122 assists, and 26 sacks.

Rick Sealey has played both defensive end and linebacker for Miami Senior High and is rated one of the Florida's top prospects. The premier down linemen in Maryland and Illinois could be a pair of 300-pounders in Desmond Thomas of Beltsville, MD, High Point and Jamie Wu of St. Charles, IL. Thomas had 12 sacks and 34 tackles behind the line of scrimmage last fall. Wu, also a track and basketball performer, recorded 18 tackles for losses as a junior.

Street & Smith's Top 50 High School Seniors of 1994

QUARTERBACKS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Brock Huard	6-5	215	Puyallup	Puyallup, WA
Dan Kendra	6-2	215	Catholic	Bethlehem, PA
John McArthur	6-2	185	University	St. Louis, MO
Steve Stanley	6-4	190	Colbert County	Leighton, AL
Quincy Woods	6-2	180	Rich East	Park Forest, IL

RUNNING BACKS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Jerry Browns	5-11	190	Taft	Woodland Hills, CA
Bennie Butler	6-1	190	Del City	Del City, OK
Ahman Green	6-1	210	Central	Omaha, NE
D'Andre Hardeman	6-1	215	North Shore	Houston, TX
Jamie Spencer	6-2	245	Ouachita	Monroe, LA
Steve Wofford	5-10	175	Bakersfield	Bakersfield, CA
Amos Zereoue	5-9	185	Mephram	North Bellmore, NY

UTILITY PLAYERS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Shaun Alexander	6-2	185	Boone County	Florence, KY
Brian Darden	6-0	190	Warren Central	Vicksburg, MS
Kevin Faulk	5-10	190	Carencro	Lafayette, LA
Mondriel Fulcher	6-5	205	Field Kindley	Coffeeville, KS
Charles Woodson	6-2	185	Ross	Fremont, OH

WIDE RECEIVERS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
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Corey Jones	6-0	165	Conestoga Valley	Lancaster, PA
Daylon McCutcheon	5-9	175	Bishop Amat	La Puente, CA
Randy Moss	6-5	190	DuPont	Monroe, WV
Peter Warrick	6-1	175	Southeast	Bradenton, FL

TIGHT ENDS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Cuncho Brown	6-6	240	Parkland	Winston-Salem, NC
Tony Vella	6-4	250	Bishop O'Dowd	Oakland, CA

KICKERS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Randy Jones	6-2	205	Ferris	Spokane, WA

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Brandon Houston	6-6	280	Taylor	Katy, TX
T. J. Meers	6-7	265	McEachern	Powder Springs, GA
Tim Ridder	6-8	285	Creighton Prep	Omaha, NE
Mike Rosenthal	6-8	290	Penn	Mishawaka, IN
Matt Stinchcomb	6-6	280	Parkview	Lilburn, GA

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Phil Fonua	6-2	280	Mira Costa	Manhattan Beach, CA
David Gates	6-2	280	Morse	San Diego, CA
Chad Pegues	6-3	275	Gainesville	Gainesville, TX
Spencer Riley	6-4	270	Jefferson County	Dandridge, TN
Rick Sealey	6-3	245	Miami Senior	Miami, FL
Desmond Thomas	6-4	305	High Point	Beltsville, MD
Jamie Wu	6-3	300	St. Charles	St. Charles, IL

LINEBACKERS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Roger Alexander	6-3	200	Eastside	Paterson, NJ
Tim Beauchamp	6-3	230	New Smyrna Beach	New Smyrna Bch, FL
Maurice Daniels	6-2	220	Annandale	Annandale, VA
Chad Henderson	6-4	245	Lincoln County	Fayetteville, TN
Marcus Jefferson	6-0	215	Pine Bluff	Pine Bluff, AR
Rob Konrad	6-3	225	St. John's Prep	Danvers, MA
Al Phillips	6-1	230	North Central	Indianapolis, IN
Brandon Short	6-4	250	McKeesport Area	McKeesport, PA

DEFENSIVE BACKS	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Martavious Houston	6-2	210	Boyd Anderson	Lauderdale Lakes, FL
Rudy Howard	6-1	185	Norcom	Portsmouth, VA
Toya Jones	6-3	190	Refugio	Refugio, TX
Robert McQuarters	5-10	175	Washington	Tulsa, OK
Cephus Scott	6-1	195	Ball	Galveston, TX

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Brandon Short of McKeesport is rated the top prospect in football-rich Western Pennsylvania while Rob Konrad earns the accolade in Massachusetts. Konrad, who already has committed to a Syracuse grant, also rushed for 1,600 yards as a tailback.

Another linebacker-running back is New Jersey all-stater Roger Alexander of Paterson Eastside. He charted 17 sacks and blocked five punts and two conversion kicks. On offense, he rushed for 1,047 yards. He also stars in basketball and as a track sprinter-jumper.

College scouts know the way to Indianapolis, IN, and New Smyrna Beach, FL. Al Phillips of North Central High in Indiana has recorded 228 tackles and 94 assists with 19 stops behind the line the last two years. Florida's Tim Beauchamp, also a basketball regular and state champion weight lifter, impressed as a tight end with 26 receptions for 338 yards. Brother Charles was an Indiana University captain.

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Martavious Houston of Boyd Anderson High in Fort Lauderdale is an athlete for every season. An all-state utility selection, he was in on 114 tackles with three interceptions last season. In basketball, he was the state tournament MVP on a title team. In the spring, he's a premier sprinter-jumper.

Two Texas standouts rate raves: Toya Jones of Refugio and Cephus Scott of Galveston Ball. Jones was in on 128 tackles with three interceptions a year ago. In track, he was a state champion long and triple jumper as a freshman and sophomore and scored a state-record 45 points in the Texas meet in 1993. Scott, a two-time all-district choice, is a track and basketball regular as well.

Two other three-sport stalwarts are Rudy Howard, who led Norcom High of Portsmouth, VA, to a 14-0 record and a state title last season, and Robert McQuarters of Tulsa, OK, Washington. Howard had seven interceptions for a team with nine shutouts. McQuarters picked off 11 passes the last two years and returned two for TDs. He's a basketball point guard and a member of the state-champion 400-meter relay team.

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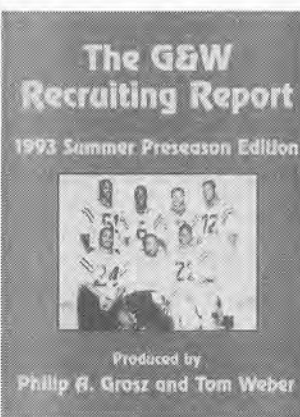
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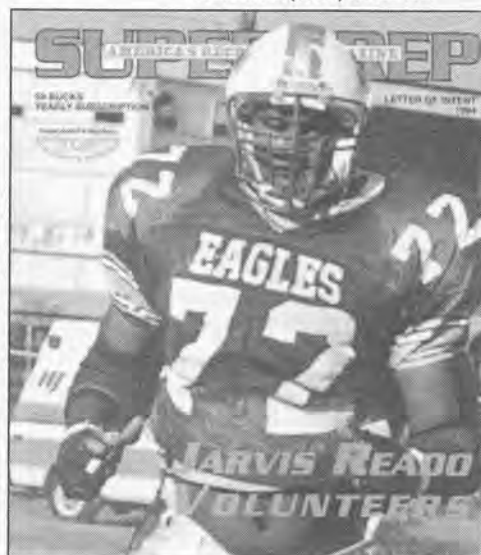
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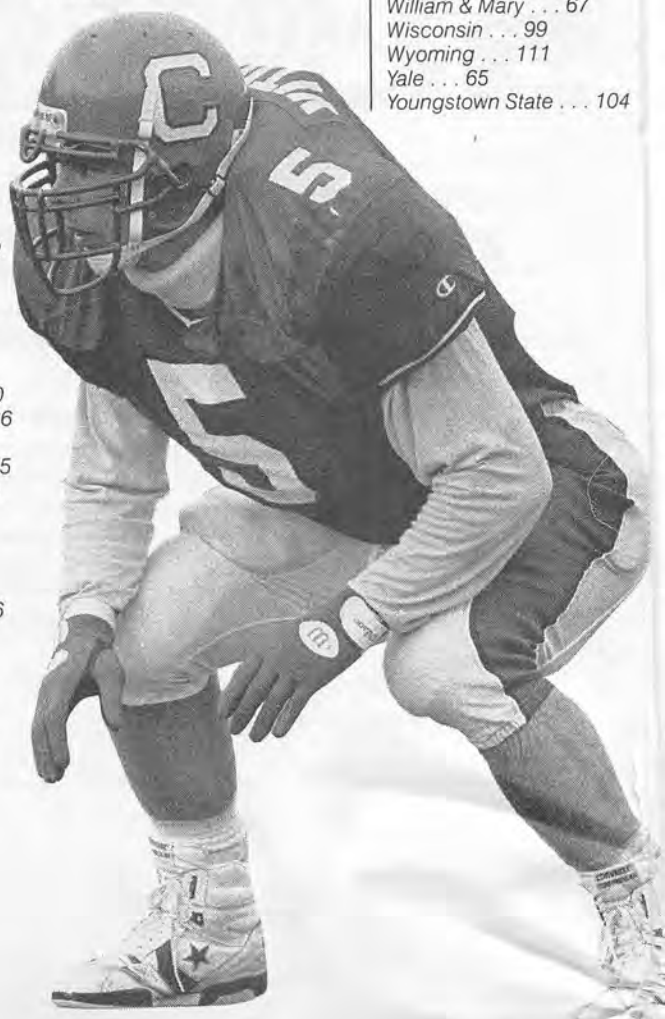
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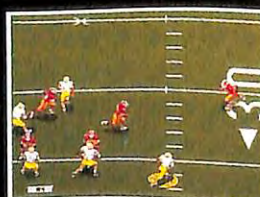
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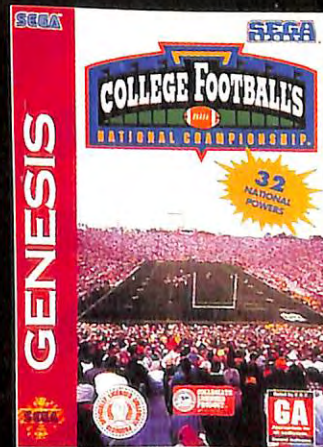
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